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THE WEEKEND BEFORE THE TRIP



My suitcase lies open at the foot of my bed, clothes spilling out as items are piled up, tossed on to the top higgledy piggledy. Shorts and flip flops, swimsuit and sandals, lipstick in every shade of pink, clothes for a conference and clothes for a shopping mall, clothes for strolling the French Quarter of New Orleans and clothes for lounging around the house in the heat of a Florida summer. Frantically have I been working, packing, writing a presentation and blog posts, planning, organizing and wishing that I had more time!

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