
	<b>REAL SPECIAL TIMES</b>	
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### Featured websites



This month's choices give free resources on the following subjects:

- **Vocabulary quizzes**
- **Reward certificates**
- **Mother' Day**

[www.freerice.com](http://www.freerice.com)

### Vocabulary Quizzes

How would you like to help feed the worlds poor whilst also improving your vocabulary? You can by visiting this website. On their homepage you will see a word and four possible meanings.

For example: Bog means

- a. swamp
- b. retrieval
- c. daddy
- d. liking

For every word you get right, they will donate 20 grains of rice to the United Nations Food Programme. If you click the 'Options' button at the top of their homepage, you can choose the vocabulary level you wish to work at.



[www.crayola.com](http://www.crayola.com)

### Reward certificates

As you'd expect Crayola have a colourful website and has over 1,000 free printable colouring sheets. It also has Craft ideas section with ideas for Gifts, parties, recycling etc. My favourite section though has to be the one called Games and Fun section. If you click onto this, you can print off some really great certificates (you have to join to do this but it is free).



[www.familyfun.com](http://www.familyfun.com)

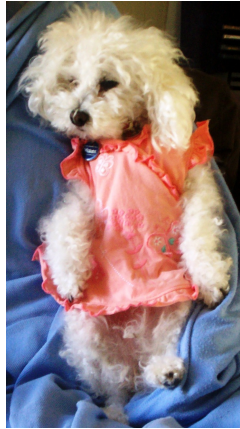
### Mother's Day

As it's Mothers Day this month, this website might give you some ideas – Instead of making a traditional cake, how about these cute edible slippers! The website also has lots of other recipes, arts and crafts, games etc. suitable for families with younger children.



**Edith the poodle**

Hi, I'm Edith, the Real Special mascot. Today is the first day of May and its really nice again so I've decided to put on my autumnal coloured orange tee-shirt so I can match the leaves!



I can quite understand my mum Carole spoiling me and buying me clothes etc but I don't what she sees in those ducks. Since our recent house move, the ducks have been a bit reluctant to go in their big bath (yes – we had to dig that out of the ground and drag it along for them – the ducks thought I was digging to help but I was only looking for a lost bone). Anyway, because the big bath has not been sunk in the ground they have not been going in it much (they could just fly up into it but they are too stupid to think of that themselves). You'll never believe what she's bought them – a baby bath complete with stickers!!!!



Hopefully I will be able to get a photo of the ducks in it to show you how silly they look. They keep running off when they see the camera – they haven't realized that shooting with a camera is not the same shooting that will be starting this weekend. Yes, it's opening of the duck hunting season so I think they will be staying in, safe and sound, while all that is going on – looks like I'm never going to be rid of them!

**Just for Fun - Edith's bath jokes**

Q. Which thieves steal soap from the bath?

A. Robber ducks.

Q. What dogs love to take bubble baths?

A. Shampoodles!

Boy: I won a goldfish at the fair  
 Friend: Where are you going to keep it?  
 Boy: I haven't got a tank so I'm keeping it in the bath  
 Friend: But what will you do when you want to take a bath?  
 Boy: Blindfold it!

**Sudoku**

Good luck! The solution is on page 4 of this newsletter.

3			5	1				
6					8			5
8	4							2
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	1						8	2
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### Easy recipe - Fritters

This easy recipe is from the WINZ Great Little Cookbook and it is for Easy Vegetable Fritters. Serve warm on bread with salad – yum!



#### Ingredients:

2 eggs  
½ cup self-raising flour  
¼ - ½ cup milk  
2 cups of grated zucchini  
Oil for frying

#### Method

Beat the eggs and half of the milk

Stir in the flour gradually

Add the zucchini and the rest of the milk.

This should now be the consistency of soft batter.

Put the oil in a frying pan and drop in tablespoons of the mixture.

Cook on either side until golden brown (only takes a few minutes)

**Variations:** You can use the basic batter mixture and then add all sorts of variations e.g. instead of zucchini use grated kumara, sweetcorn or potato.

You can also add ½ - 1 cup of cheese

**Free recipe book:** Download the **Great Little Cookbook** from this link:

<http://www.workandincome.govt.nz/publications/cookbook.html>

It has information about nutrition, a week of suggested menus, recipes, etc. it is about 96 pages, but just print off those you like!

### Sudoku solution (from page 3)

3	2	7	5	1	6	9	4	8
6	9	1	2	4	8	7	5	3
8	4	5	7	9	3	1	2	6
1	5	2	6	7	4	8	3	9
9	7	8	1	3	2	4	6	5
4	3	6	9	8	5	2	1	7
5	1	9	4	6	7	3	8	2
7	6	3	8	2	1	5	9	4
2	8	4	3	5	9	6	7	1

### Orders

To order any of the items features in our newsletter, please go to [www.realspecial.co.nz](http://www.realspecial.co.nz) or email [carole@realspecial.co.nz](mailto:carole@realspecial.co.nz) **Postage:** \$5 per order

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