Let’s Bake Quick Breads

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Notes to the Project Helper

Congratulations! A 4-H member has asked you to serve as a project helper. You may be a parent, relative, project leader, friend, club advisor, or another individual important in the 4-H member’s life. Your duties begin with helping the youth create and carry out a project plan, as outlined in the Member Project Guide. This is followed by helping the youth focus on each activity, providing support and feedback, and determining what was done well, what could have been done differently, and where to go next.

As a project helper, it is up to you to encourage, guide and assist the 4-H member. How you choose to be involved helps to shape the 4-H member’s life skills and knowledge of the importance of food and nutrition.

Your Role as Project Helper

• Guide the youth and provide support in setting goals and completing this project.
• Encourage the youth to apply knowledge from this project book.
• Serve as a resource person.
• Encourage the youth to go beyond the scope of this 4-H project book to learn more about food and nutrition.
What You Can Do

- Review the learning outcomes (project skill, life skill, educational standard, and success indicator) for each activity to understand the learning taking place. See page 40 for a summary of the learning outcomes.
- Become familiar with each activity and the related background information. Stay ahead of the learner by trying out activities beforehand.
- Begin the project by helping the learner establish a plan for the project. This is accomplished by reviewing the Member Project Guide.
- After each activity, conduct a debriefing session that allows the learner to answer the review questions and share results. This important step improves understanding from an experiential learning perspective.
- Help the learner celebrate what was done well and to see what could be done differently. Allow the learner to become better at assessing his or her own work.
- In the Member Project Guide, date and initial the activities that have been completed.

What You Should Know About Experiential Learning

The information and activities in this book are arranged in a unique, experiential fashion (see model). In this way, youth are introduced to a particular practice, idea, or piece of information through an opening (1) experience. The results of the activity are then recorded in the accompanying pages. Youth then take the opportunity to (2) share what they did with their project helper, (3) process the experience through a series of questions that allow the learner to (4) generalize and (5) apply the new knowledge and skill.
Welcome to Let’s Bake Quick Breads! This intermediate-level food and nutrition book is designed for members who want to expand their baking skills by making tasty waffles, pancakes, quick breads, muffins, and corn bread. You also will learn why grains are important for health, how to bake gluten-free breads, and how to adjust a quick bread recipe for a more healthful result.

Check your county’s project guidelines (if any) for completion requirements in addition to the ones below, especially if you plan to prepare an exhibit for the fair.

**Project Guidelines**

Step 1: Complete all eight activities.
Step 2: Take part in at least two learning experiences.
Step 3: Become involved in at least two leadership/citizenship activities.
Step 4: Complete a project review.

**Step 1: Project Activities**

Complete all eight activities. The More Challenges activities are optional. When you begin an activity, jot down the date you start it. When you finish an activity, review your work with your project helper. Then ask your project helper to initial and date your accomplishment.

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Activity 1: What Makes Grains Great?

Most everyone enjoys food made with grains such as rice, wheat, oats, and corn every day. Cereal at breakfast, bread for sandwiches, granola bars as a snack, and popcorn during a movie. Grains play a prominent role in MyPlate, the United States Department of Agriculture’s nutritional guidelines. Let’s find out why!

What to Do

Make a list of five foods you like that are made with grains. Next, look at the food’s list of ingredients on the packaging and find which grain or flour is listed. Write what you found in the second column. In the last column, fill in your guess of whether the grain is a refined (or enriched) grain or a whole grain.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Food You Like Made with Grains</th>
<th>Grain Listed on Food Label</th>
<th>Refined (Enriched), Whole Grain or Both?</th>
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<tr>
<td>Example: Oatmeal</td>
<td>Oats</td>
<td>Whole grain</td>
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Learning Outcomes

Project skill
Recognizing foods with whole grains and refined grains

Life skill
Making healthy life choices

Educational standard
NHES 3-5-2 Locate resources from home, school, and community that provide valid health information

Success indicator
Identifies sources of whole grains and refined grains
**Talking It Over**

**SHARE** How did you decide if the foods listed in your table were made with whole grains or refined grains?

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**REFLECT** Do you think the grains you eat are mostly whole grain or made with refined grains?

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**GENERALIZE** Name a couple of whole-grain foods that could replace some of the refined-grain foods in your diet.

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**APPLY** Are there other small ways for you to make more healthful choices? Identify and describe at least one.

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**Background**

MyPlate was presented in 2011 as a way to easily guide Americans to healthful food choices. The ChooseMyPlate.gov icon is a simple symbol reminding us of the types of foods to target and the suggested meal portions for each food group.

The Grains group has two sub-groups, refined grains and whole grains. Refined grains are the result of putting wheat kernels through a mill to remove the bran and germ, leaving only the endosperm. Because of this process, refined grains have a finer texture and a longer shelf life, but no dietary fiber or iron, and few vitamins. As a result, most refined grains are also enriched. Examples include white bread, flour tortillas, white rice, and most pretzels, crackers, and noodles.

Whole wheat contains the entire wheat kernel: the bran, the germ, and the endosperm. A lot of nutrition is packed in the bran and germ. Whole grains help us maintain important body systems such as building bones and keeping our digestive tract healthy. Because of the higher nutrition in whole grains, the USDA recommends making half of your grains whole. Whole grains offer a wide variety of food choices from buckwheat pancakes to brown rice-flour quick breads to muffins made with millet. Other examples include oatmeal, popcorn, whole wheat tortillas, and whole-grain cereal. Start experimenting with whole grains to add nutritious, new foods to your family’s meals!
Recipe

Whole Wheat Waffles

2 eggs
1¾ cups milk
¼ cup vegetable oil
1 tablespoon honey
½ teaspoon vanilla extract
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
1½ cups whole wheat flour
¼ teaspoon baking soda
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
Warmed maple syrup
Fresh fruit

1. Preheat waffle iron.
2. In a large mixing bowl whisk together eggs, milk, oil, honey, vanilla extract, and cinnamon until well combined.
3. Add in the flour, baking soda, baking powder, and salt. Whisk just until any large lumps disappear.
4. When waffle iron is hot, ladle some batter—usually ½ to 1 cup—onto the center of the iron. The exact amount depends on your waffle iron. Follow the manufacturer’s directions for how much batter to use and for how long to cook each waffle.
5. Keep waffles warm until you cook all the batter. Serve with maple syrup and fruit.

Makes 5 waffles.

Adapted from 100daysofrealfood.com

Did you know?
China and India produce more wheat than the United States, but the U.S. is the number one exporter of wheat.

Activity 1

Nutrition Facts

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<th>Serving size: 1 waffle (149g)</th>
<th>Servings Per Recipe 1</th>
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<td>Amount Per Serving</td>
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<td>Calories 210</td>
<td>Cal from Fat 40</td>
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<td>Trans Fats 0g</td>
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<td>Cholesterol 80mg</td>
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<td>Sodium 380mg</td>
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<td>Calcium 25%</td>
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<td>Iron 10%</td>
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*Percent Daily Values is based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.
Notes for Next Time

Did the recipe you chose turn out the way you expected?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Be as specific as you can be when you answer these questions. Consider the food’s color, texture, taste, temperature, seasoning, appearance, and anything else that affects its overall appeal.

What do you like about this recipe?

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What do you dislike about this recipe?

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What, if anything, would you do differently next time you make this recipe?

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Baker’s Tip

Most new waffle irons are sold with a non-stick coating that allows waffles to release from the iron without adding butter or oil to its surface prior to cooking. Other features can include different temperature settings for light, medium and dark waffles (just like toasters), an off/on indicator light, and an automatic shut-off feature.

Resource

Find great tips about how to eat well at choosemyplate.gov/healthy-eating-tips/ten-tips.html.

Source

choosemyplate.gov
## Summary of Learning Outcomes

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<td>2. Digging into Wheat</td>
<td>Identifying the parts of a wheat kernel</td>
<td>Visualizing information</td>
<td>NGSS 4-LS1-1 Construct an argument that plants and animals have internal and external structures that function to support survival, growth, behavior, and reproduction.</td>
<td>Determines which nutrients come from which parts of wheat</td>
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<td>3. Putting it All Together</td>
<td>Recognizing ingredients needed to make quick breads</td>
<td>Reading ingredients labels</td>
<td>NGSS 5-PS1-3 Make observations and measurements to identify materials based on their properties.</td>
<td>Identifies purpose of each quick bread ingredient</td>
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<td>4. Mixing It Up</td>
<td>Comparing muffins made with different lengths of mixing times</td>
<td>Completing a task</td>
<td>NGSS 5-PS1-4 Conduct an investigation to determine whether the mixing of two or more substances results in new substances.</td>
<td>Identifies reasoning behind quick bread recipe instructions</td>
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<td>5. Equipment Experiment</td>
<td>Comparing one recipe made in two different pans</td>
<td>Completing a task</td>
<td>NGSS 4-PS3-2 Make observations to provide evidence that energy can be transferred from place to place by sound, light, heat, and electrical currents.</td>
<td>Determines differences in corn bread made in two types of pans</td>
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<td>6. Gluten-Free Baking</td>
<td>Baking quick breads with the same recipe using two different kinds of flour</td>
<td>Completing a task</td>
<td>NHES 7-8-2 Demonstrate healthy practices and behaviors that will maintain or improve the health of self and others.</td>
<td>Compares which bread recipe produced the best results</td>
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<td>7. Tweaking Recipes for Your Health</td>
<td>Altering recipes to improve nutrition</td>
<td>Making healthy lifestyle choices</td>
<td>NHES 5-8-6 Choose healthy alternatives over unhealthy alternatives when making a decision.</td>
<td>Compares breads made with a standard recipe and one with that substitutes healthier ingredients</td>
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<td>8. Careers in the Kitchen</td>
<td>Interviewing someone in the food industry</td>
<td>Processing information</td>
<td>NHES 3-8-1 Analyze the validity of health information, products, and services</td>
<td>Identifies pros and cons of working in food industry</td>
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* The educational standards cited here are from the National Health Education Standards (NHES) from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s School Health Education Resources (SHER), and the Next Generation Science Standards. These are available in their entirety at cdc.gov/healthyyouth/sher/standards/ and nextgenscience.org, respectively.