



Passage 1

People adore cupcakes for more than the obvious reason. A good deal of the enjoyment is the fun you can have making them yourself, making sure to achieve that perfect ratio between cake mixture and frosting. Most importantly, perhaps, no one expects you to share a cupcake, so it's yours and yours alone!

For lovers of cupcakes, *Betty Crocker: The Big Book Of Cupcakes* provides over 175 tempting recipes for a wide variety of buns. The 335-page manual is divided into six chapters: Cupcake and frosting basics; Simply delicious cupcakes; Bake-sale favorites; Kids' party cupcakes; Dazzling holiday cupcakes; and Special occasion cupcakes.

So this book is more than a cookery book. Readers are given basic instructions and information, from the equipment needed to make cupcakes, the secret behind baking success, frosting basics to easy ways to decorate cupcakes. Moreover, the book provides tips for keeping cupcakes fresh, freezing cupcakes, as well as selling them. Interestingly, each recipe comes with its own sweet success tip, advising cupcake makers how they can achieve the perfect result. And if you are not a good baker, or do not even plan to make these little sweet treats, **this book is still extremely interesting food for the eyes.**





38. According to the passage, which of the following statements **CANNOT** be inferred from the passage?

1. Cupcakes bake much faster than a normal layered cake.
2. You can bake cupcakes for almost any special occasion.
3. Making cupcakes and decorating them is fun and easy.
4. Cupcakes can be topped with various kinds of decorations.

39. What is true about Betty Crocker's cookbook?

1. It includes secrets for making delicious cupcakes.
2. You can take this pocket-sized cookbook anywhere.
3. It traces the origins of making and decorating cupcakes.
4. It explains how different cupcake recipes can be shared.

40. What does "..., this book is still extremely interesting food for the eyes" mean?

1. Frosting basics are what makes your cupcakes unique.
2. The book provides a lot of mouth-watering pictures of cupcakes.
3. Simply by looking at cupcakes, one knows how they are made.
4. The book teaches bakers to watch the baking process carefully.

