

**Welcome to your free sampling
of Earth Dinner™ creativity cards
on the following two pages!**

**Print and trim the cards along the
edge lines and create your own sample set
of Earth Dinner™ creativity cards for use at
your dinner table. Sort by category or mix
them up and use in the way that best fits the
Earth Dinner experience you want to create.**

**To purchase a deck from our second printing
limited edition, visit *www.earthdinner.org*
or ask for them at your favorite retailer.**



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FIRST BITE

DESCRIBE THE VERY FIRST TIME YOU TASTED SOMETHING THAT YOU PICKED OFF A TREE, VINE, STEM OR PULLED OUT OF THE GROUND.

**A tomato? A carrot?
A worm?**



Describe the taste and anything else you can recall.

Was it a hot summer day in the country?

Was it a rainy afternoon in your backyard?



DETAILS! DETAILS!

WHO LOVES YA ?

WHO IN YOUR LIFE REALLY UNDERSTANDS HOW TO MAKE THE FOOD YOU LOVE?



DESCRIBE THE FOOD &

any touches that make it particularly special.



*Where flowers bloom,
so does hope.*



“LADYBIRD” JOHNSON
1912 -



RECALL AN INSTANCE WHEN YOU HAVE BEEN SURPRISED BY THE
PERSISTENCE OF NATURE.

A SPROUT OF GROWTH AFTER A DEVASTATING FROST?



**SHARE
HOW YOU HAVE WITNESSED FIRST HAND
THE EARTH'S RESILIENCE.**



*When tillage begins, other arts follow.
The farmers therefore are the founders
of human civilization.*



DANIEL WEBSTER
1782 - 1852



IS THERE ANYONE IN YOUR FAMILY HISTORY WHO WAS A FARMER?

DESCRIBE THE WORK THEY DID OR THE WORK OF SOMEONE IN YOUR LIFE WHO IS ASSOCIATED WITH PRODUCING FOOD.



**BEING A FARMER ISN'T A JOB
IT IS A WAY OF LIFE** often passed down from GENERATION TO GENERATION. Their unique dedication to living in harmony with the earth is necessary to enable them to provide us with THE HEALTHY FOOD WE EAT.

*How many songs can you think of
that reference food or eating?*

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD

GO AROUND THE TABLE
UNTIL ONE OF THE GUESTS IS STUMPED.
THERE'S FOOD EVERYWHERE IF YOU LISTEN.
TOP 40 • OLDIES • THEME SONGS • JINGLES

Some songs are
Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree
and *I Like Coffee*.

Remember to sing loud and proud!

TASTE-BUD TEST

WITH A BLINDFOLD ON,
ASK SOMEONE AT THE TABLE TO FEED
YOU A TASTE OF SOMETHING AND SEE
IF YOU CAN GUESS THE INGREDIENTS.

TRY TO PICK
SOMETHING THAT
HAS MORE THAN
A COUPLE COMPONENTS.

The person who made the
dish can let you know
if you're right.

*Sometimes our eyes
play tricks on our other senses.
How keen are your buds?*

*There are more than 100 edible
flowers in nature that have been used
in cooking for thousands of years in
cultures all over the world.*

PLEASE EAT THE DAISIES

ANNOUNCE EACH FLOWER BELOW AND ASK
THE TABLE TO GUESS THE FLAVORS OF EACH:

Carnation *	Peppery clove flavored
Violet *	Sweet
Sunflower *	Leafy, bitter
Pansy *	Sweet to tart
Marigold *	Bitter, spicy
Jasmine *	Light sweet
Hibiscus *	Acidic
Fennel *	Licorice flavor

REMEMBER TO NEVER EAT FLOWERS FROM A FLORIST AND TO MAKE SURE
THEY ARE NOT POISONOUS BEFORE INCORPORATING THEM INTO RECIPES.

HOW MANY VARIETIES OF RICE ARE THERE?

A 6 B 15,000 C 17 D 240

What variety of rice does your family recipe use?

IMAGINE HAVING YOUR RECIPE PASSED DOWN
FOR **500 GENERATIONS**

RICE PREDATES ANY FAMILY TREE YOU CAN TRACE.

How do you prepare rice?

B 15,000

RICE FARMING IS OVER 10,000 YEARS OLD.

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