

## Real Special Times

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### **Real Special News**

#### **Earobics on special offer!**

This month we have a really great special offer on Earobics. This award winning product helps develop listening skills, auditory processing, reading, spelling and memory. It comes in versions for schools / specialist educational settings and also a home version. Both develop the same skills, the only difference is the home user is for 2 people only and cannot then be re-used, the professional version is for up to 12 students and can keep being re-used indefinitely. There are age specific version for 4 – 7 years, 7 – 10 years, and for 10+ and adults (see our 'Reading and Spelling' website section)

**Special prices; Clinicians version now only \$480 NZD + GST, home user version only \$99 NZD + GST.**  
Versions for Windows, Mac and Mac OSX

#### **SNOEZELEN Sensory Profiling tool – NEW lower prices!!**

SNOEZELEN are world renowned for their sensory rooms and have now developed the most comprehensive profiling CD ROM for sight, sound, movement, smell, taste and touch ever developed. It identifies areas of sensory need in children and adults with limited cognitive functions, autism, mental health problems and physical disabilities, The tool is easy to administer and suitable for identifying baseline function. Suitable for Windows and Mac.

These are now almost half the previous price – single user now **\$199.85 NZD + GST, network versions available.**

### **New Products**

We are delighted to welcome back to our website two Semerc/NFER software screeners for use by SENCO's, teachers, educational psychologists etc. Both are simple to administer and provide instant scoring and analysis.

The **Dyslexia Screener** is for students aged 5 – 16, and enables you to distinguish between poor reading ability and dyslexia, plus gives advice on next steps.

The **Dyscalculia Screener** is for ages 6 – 14 years and indicates dyscalculic tendencies by measuring pupils' response times as well as the accuracy of their answers.  
**\$520 NZD for the Annual Licence \$190 NZD for renewal**

For use with windows only, plus the dyscalculia screener is not compatible with windows XP. See our 'Special Needs' section for more details.

#### **Mathsbase 1 School licence**

We have now been granted the Mathsbase 1 school licences For schools the price is only \$120 NZD + GST and \$50 + GST for an additional licence, home user versions are \$50 NZD + GST. Mathsbase 1 has five programmes within it covering number bonds, times tables, number operations, whole numbers etc. It is suitable for all ages - for younger students acquiring these skills and for older students who are experiencing difficulties. See our 'Maths' section.

### Featured websites

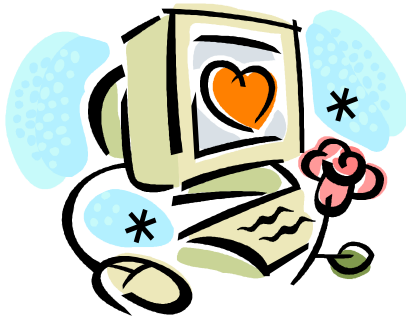


This month's choices

Free 'e' books  
Free online games  
Free video demos of recipes etc.

[www.free-ebooks.net](http://www.free-ebooks.net)

this is an excellent website where you can download free 'e-books' from a whole range of categories e.g. fiction, food / recipes, health and beauty, parenting, psychology, travel and so on. Even more interesting is that any budding authors can submit their own e'books to the site



[www.free-games.com.au/](http://www.free-games.com.au/)

This is a directory of Free Games available on the Internet. Game categories include: Kids, sports, board, card, online, word, adventure etc. Below are 3 game examples:

#### 1. Agatha Christie: Death on the Nile

Assume the role of renowned detective Hercule Poirot, seeking clues to a mysterious murder aboard a ship, cruising the River Nile.

#### 2. Lemonade Tycoon

This game serves up a cool lemony twist on business simulation games. Test your entrepreneurial skills to find out if you have what it takes to build a little stand into a big business.

#### 3. Alice Greenfingers

Step into the gardening business in this intriguing simulation game, where you build and decorate your own garden of flowers, animals and vegetables. you earn more than 10 special awards.



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

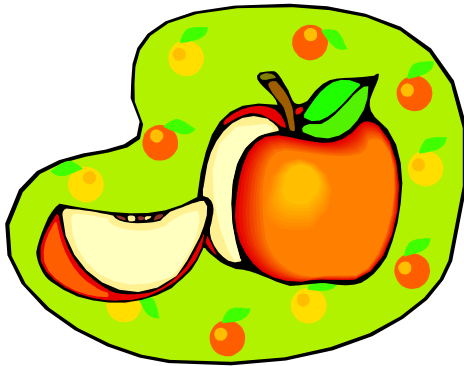
This is a fabulous website with many different sections, including food and drink, DIY house and garden, technology and gadgets. What I particularly like is the way they always have a video to go with the information, for example they show you step-by-step how to make a recipe but you can also then print off the information to keep.





### Recipe: Easy apple cake

We are very fortunate in this area of new Zealand as there are orchards everywhere and many different varieties of apples. This recipe works well with many different type of apple and is a nice one that children can help mix as well.



### Ingredients

3 eggs,  
1 cup sugar  
¾ cup oil  
2 cups flour  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 can of apple pie filling (approx 400g)  
or 2 cups of cooked apple.

### Method

Pre-heat the oven to 325 f / 160 c.

Beat the eggs in a bowl then add the sugar, oil, flour and baking powder. This will make a thick batter.

Pour half the batter into a greased and floured baking dish e.g 13 inch (33cm) x 9 inch (23 cm) x 2 inch (5cm).

Spoon the apple filling evenly over the batter.

Cover the apple layer with the remaining batter.

Bake for 50 – 60 minutes.

Serve sliced either dusted with icing sugar, with a blob of cream, or even with some custard as a dessert.

### Sudoku solution (from page 3)

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

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We welcome any suggestions, recipe ideas, good websites etc.

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