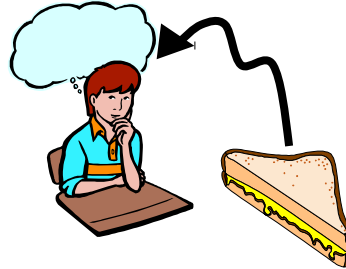


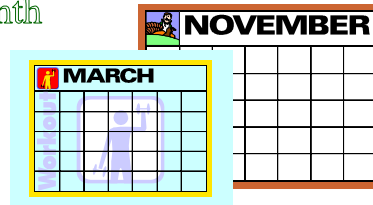
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March is National Peanut Month



This year, annual consumption of peanut butter is expected to reach 800 million pounds ~ that's enough peanut butter to form a line of 18-ounce jars stretching almost one and one-third times around the world.



- 🥜 **Skippy** Peanut Butter, one of America's favorite brands was first sold on February 1, 1933.
- 🥜 Today, almost 90 million jars are sold annually. That's almost 3 jars every second!
- 🥜 Georgia is the #1 peanut producing state, but did you know that Texas is #2.
- 🥜 Farmers (called growers) harvest the peanuts during September, October, and November then sell them to companies known as peanut shellers.

- 🥜 The shellers use special machines to remove the peanut kernels from the shells, clean and sort them by size.
- 🥜 The makers of *Skippy* peanut butter buy peanuts from the shellers. The shellers then ship them to the peanut butter plant in railroad hopper cars. Each railroad car holds approximately 190,000 pounds of peanuts (about the weight of 16 elephants!)
- 🥜 It takes almost 850 peanuts to make an 18 oz jar of peanut butter!

America's Passion...Peanut Butter!

- 🥜 The average American child will eat 1,500 peanut butter sandwiches by the time he or she graduates from high school.
- 🥜 In the last year, more than 75% of all American families purchased peanut butter.
- 🥜 Americans eat about 3 pounds of peanut butter per person each year, totaling about 500 million pounds... enough to cover the floor of the Grand Canyon.
- 🥜 Americans eat enough peanut butter in a year to make over 10 billion peanut butter and jelly sandwiches! (Estimating 2 tablespoons peanut butter per sandwich.)
- 🥜 Americans spend almost 800 million dollars a year on peanut butter, making it one of the most frequently purchased items in the supermarket.
- 🥜 Nobody consumes as much peanut butter as Americans; however, it is popular in Canada, Holland, England, Germany, and Saudi Arabia. It is gaining popularity throughout Eastern Europe.

World Famous Peanut Butter Lovers

- 🥜 Dr. George Washington Carver is referred to as the "peanut wizard" and father of the peanut industry, but he did not invent peanut butter!
- 🥜 Two peanut farmers have been elected president of the United States: Thomas Jefferson and Jimmy Carter.
- 🥜 Baseball Hall of Famer Catfish Hunter is also a peanut farmer.
- 🥜 There are currently more than 30 public figures and celebrities who share a devotion to peanut butter as members of the Adult Peanut Butter Lovers' Fan Club. They include: President Bill Clinton, Julia Child, Larry King, Jack Nicholson, Tom Selleck, Kim Basinger, Barbara Walters, Olympian Bonnie Blair, Barbara Bush, Dan Rather, Madonna, Cher, William F. Buckley, Billy Joel, Julia Roberts, Bill Cosby and Michael J. Fox.

Even More Peanut Butter Trivia

- 🥜 Peanut butter was first introduced in 1890, when a unknown St. Louis physician encouraged the owner of food products company to process and package ground peanut paste as a nutritious protein substitute.
- 🥜 Nearly half of the U.S. peanut crop is made into peanut butter each year.
- 🥜 November is Peanut Butter Lover's Month; March is National Peanut Month.

- 🥜 The world's largest peanut butter and jelly sandwich measured 40 feet long. It contained 150 pounds of peanut butter and 50 pounds of jelly. It was created November 6, 1993 in Peanut, Pennsylvania.
- 🥜 Consumers prefer creamy peanut butter to chunky by a 60% to 40% ratio. Children and women prefer creamy, while most men opt for chunky.
- 🥜 Although peanut butter is considered to be a kids' food, adults actually eat more peanut butter than kids each year.
- 🥜 Folks on the East coast prefer creamy peanut butter, while those on the West Coast prefer the chunky-style.
- 🥜 When making a PB&J sandwich, 96% of people put the peanut butter on before the jelly.
- 🥜 Peanut butter is a good source of protein, folate (a B-vitamin) niacin, phosphorus and magnesium.
- 🥜 "Arachibutyrophobia" (pronounced I-RA-KID-BU-TI-RO-PHO-BI-A) is the fear of peanut butter getting stuck to the roof of your mouth.
- 🥜 Peanuts are not a nut! Botanically classified as legumes, peanuts contain properties of both the bean/lentil and tree nuts.