

## Dr. Seuss' Birthday



About Dr. Seuss:

**March 2.** Take time to read the childrens' favorite Dr. Seuss books. Enjoy your own green eggs and ham, using the following recipe:

6 eggs, scrambled

1 cup diced ham

Scramble eggs and add a few drops of green food coloring. Pour eggs and ham into a frying pan and scramble as usual.

Yield: 9 servings.

Meal Component: Each serving provides 1.5 oz. Meat/Meat Alternate under the Child Care Food Program.

Theodore Seuss Geisel (1904-1991), or "Dr. Seuss," has been called the poet laureate of the baby boomers. Three generations have grown up with Dr. Seuss, and his stories continue to cross generational lines. They are among the best loved children's works of the twentieth century.

Geisel wrote his first children's book in 1936. The book was rejected by 28 publishers because it was too different from other books on the market. "And to Think That I Saw It On Mulberry Street" was finally published in 1937 by Vanguard Press.

Like children's books of old, Seuss' books are filled with values, but it is here the similarity ends. Seuss' books introduce a host of new characters such as a Grinch, Sneetches, a Zax, Whos, a Lorax, and a cat who wore a hat.

Seuss is remembered as an author who neither preached nor conspired against childhood whims... a writer-illustrator whose stories addressed the wild and wooly illogic of real kids longing to immerse themselves in books that tickled their boundless fancies. (Adapted from an article by Larry Dorrell.)

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