

# Rationing and Salvage

Preparation: read the background sheet on rationing and look up the top tips for searching our archive on the [Horsham Posters Education Website](http://www.horshamposters.com).

In 1918 The British government brought in National rationing. The local and national governments produced posters to inform the public about the rationing rules.

The government also wanted people to help the war effort by saving and collecting materials. These materials were used to make items needed by the military – e.g. rubber for new tyres. So they created posters to encourage people to save and collect items.

William Albery collected many of these posters which can be viewed on [www.horshamposters.com](http://www.horshamposters.com). Take a look at the tips on searching our archive in the Education section of the website.

## Learning Objectives

- Understand why and what was rationed during the war and why and what the government wanted salvaged for the war effort.
- Become familiar with searching the online resource [www.horshamposters.com](http://www.horshamposters.com)

Let's explore the website and the topic of rationing at the same time in a series of Archive Activities. You will need to do this exercise whilst on a computer/ipad connected to the Horsham posters website.

### 1. Poster Bingo

Go to the website [www.horshamposters.com](http://www.horshamposters.com). In the **Search** boxes on the right **Select Poster Subject of World War One**.

Look through the posters in the **secondary subjects** of **Notices** and **Appeals**. Who can find all nine of the posters on the Poster Bingo sheet first? Shout '**bingo**' when you do!

### 2. Museum Mastermind

Now you have found the posters to do with rationing and salvage use them to become a Museum Mastermind. Can you get a perfect score and answer all the questions?

### 3. Rationing Recipes

In the West Sussex County Times, recipes for War-Time Cookery were printed. Why not try some war-time cookery with your class? The recipe is shown below.





www.horshamposters.com



# Poster Bingo

MINISTRY OF FOOD.  
**HORSHAM URBAN DISTRICT**  
 IT IS NECESSARY  
 TO  
**REGISTER**  
 FOR  
**TEA**  
 as early as possible.  
 Customers are therefore requested  
 to register their names **AT ONCE**  
 with their usual suppliers.  
*May 1918*



**HORSHAM**  
**FOOD CONTROL COMMITTEE**  
**NOTICE.**  
**BUTTER & MARGARINE.**  
 Consumers are required to  
 register at once for supplies of  
 Butter and Margarine.  
 The original Household Sugar  
 Card should be taken to the  
 Retailer for stamping for this  
 purpose, and Consumers will  
 be restricted to one Retailer.  
 On **NO** account may the in-  
 dividual Sugar Cards be used  
 for this purpose.  
 Retailers of Farm or Dairy  
 Butter are required to Register,  
 by letter, with the Food Office,  
 Town Hall, forthwith.  
*22 JAN 1918.*



MINISTRY OF FOOD.  
**HORSHAM URBAN DISTRICT**  
 APPLICATION FORMS  
**RATION BOOKS**  
 ARE OBTAINABLE FROM  
**SUGAR SUPPLIERS** or from the  
**FOOD OFFICE.**  
 Applicants would assist arrangement if they  
 would  
**CAREFULLY READ THE INSTRUCTIONS**  
 and state clearly  
 No. of House **NOT** name of House.  
 Exact date of Birth where under 18.  
 Full Christian Names.  
 Precise Occupation, or School attended.  
**COMPLETE FORM IN INK.**  
 In case of difficulty call at the Food Office.  
**HOURS:**  
**9.30 - 10.30. 5.30 - 6.30.**  
*May 1918*




**THE HOUSEHOLD FUEL AND  
 LIGHTING ORDER, 1918.**  
 The **HORSHAM URBAN  
 LOCAL FUEL & LIGHT-  
 ING COMMITTEE** hereby  
 give **NOTICE** that the necessary  
 forms for the rationing of  
**FUEL & LIGHT**  
 within the **URBAN DISTRICT OF  
 HORSHAM** are now available and  
 the Public are requested to obtain  
 such Forms at the Offices of the  
 Coal Merchants with whom they  
 intend to register.  
 Consumers requiring not more  
 than 1 cwt. of Coal per week are  
 only required to place their names  
 with their supplier.  
*(By Order)*  
**SIDNEY W. EVANS,**  
 TOWN HALL, HORSHAM, Local Fuel Officer.  
 14th August, 1918.



MINISTRY OF FOOD  
**SUGAR DISTRIBUTION SCHEME**  
**NOTICE TO HOUSEHOLDERS**  
 ON OR BEFORE  
**FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**  
 YOU SHOULD RECEIVE YOUR  
**SUGAR REGISTRATION CARD**  
 FILL IN THE NAME AND  
 ADDRESS OF THE  
 RETAILER WITH WHOM  
 YOU WISH TO REGISTER  
 AT "A"  
 THEN TAKE THE CARD  
 IN CONTACT TO YOUR  
 RETAILER NOT LATER  
 THAN MONDAY,  
**NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**  
 YOUR RETAILER WILL  
 FILL IN HIS NAME  
 AND ADDRESS  
 AT "B"  
 YOUR RETAILER WILL DETACH THE LOWER HALF OF THE CARD AND  
 RETURN IT TO YOU.  
**DO NOT TAMPER WITH YOUR CARD**  
 ANY PERSON FORGING OR ALTERING A SUGAR CARD IS LIABLE TO A  
 FINE NOT EXCEEDING £100 OR SIX MONTHS IMPRISONMENT, OR BOTH.



  
**COAL**  
 The coal you are  
 going without is  
 forging the key to  
**VICTORY**



  
**URGENT  
 TO  
 MOTORISTS**  
 Your worn-out tyres,  
 tubes and flaps, fan  
 belts, hose connections  
 chassis shock stops and  
 any other scrap rubber  
 from your vehicles is  
 urgently needed  
**PLEASE BRING YOUR WASTE  
 RUBBER  
 HERE**  
 FOR CONSIGNMENT TO AN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT DEPOT



**HORSHAM URBAN DISTRICT.**  
**FINAL NOTICE.**  
**HOUSEHOLD FUEL & LIGHTING ORDER,**  
**1918.**  
 This Order comes into full operation on  
 Monday, 11th Nov. Consumers who have not  
 filled in a Form of Application (F.H.F. 2) on  
 or before **SATURDAY, 9th Nov.**, will only be  
 entitled to:-  
**COAL, 2 tons 12 cwt. per annum.**  
**GAS, 22,500 c. ft. per annum.**  
**ELECTRICITY, 120 Board of Trade  
 Units per annum.**  
 (Signed) **SIDNEY W. EVANS,**  
 Town Hall, Horsham, Local Fuel Officer.  
 1st November, 1918.



## Museum Mastermind

1. What four types of food are mentioned on the Horsham rationing Posters?  
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2. What 2 documents are mentioned on the posters that are to do with rationing?  
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3. What other foods were nationally rationed that are not mentioned on the posters?  
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4. Find a poster that refers to fuel restrictions – which fuel(s) was restricted?  
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5. Find a poster that appeals for the public to collect/save things and bring them to a government depot. What is the material in these items that is important?  
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## Rationing Recipes

### Lentil Soup

#### Ingredients

1oz fat (butter/oil)

1 carrot

1 turnip

1 onion,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb of red lentils

1 tsp salt

A quart of water

1pint skimmed milk

#### Method

- Chop the onion, carrot and turnip into small chunks.
- Put the oil/butter in the pan and fry the onion, carrot and turnip in the pan until softened.
- Add the water salt and lentils and bring to the boil.
- Simmer for 1 hour.
- Add the milk then return to the pan and bring to the boil again.
- Serve.