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25 Clever Uses for Coffee Filters That Have Nothing to Do with Coffee

Meet your new best friend for effortless cleaning, cooking, organizing, and more. Coffee filters (without the coffee!) There are a lot of trendy ways to make coffee these days, from French presses to pour over stainless steel filters. Or maybe you're old school and use a percolator. But if you're like most people, you've got a whole lot of coffee filters on hand to make sure you're never without that morning cup. But did you know that coffee filters can be used for a lot more than just making your daily caffeine fix? These are our favorite uses (besides making coffee, of course!) for our extra coffee filters.



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- 1) **Dry glassware** - Water spots can be a real annoyance. You clean your glassware and think it's been dried properly only to pull out a foggy, spotted glass that no one wants to drink out of. Enter the coffee filter. Because of the quality of paper used to make coffee filters, coffee filters don't leave any lint or smears behind. This makes them perfect to fully dry off your glassware without a trace.
- 2) **Control odor** - A few teaspoons of baking soda and a coffee filter is all you need for a perfect deodorizing sachet! Put the baking soda in the coffee filter and twist it closed using rubber bands or a tight string. You can put your sachet in smelly shoes, odorous drawers, or a stinking refrigerator.
- 3) **Makeshift dryer sheets** - Ran out of your favorite dryer sheets? Some essential oil drops on a coffee filter will do the same trick.
- 4) **Clean stainless steel** - Because coffee filters won't leave any lint or residue behind, they're a great cleaning tool. One of our favorite uses for coffee sheets in our cleaning repertoire is to use them to clean or polish our stainless steel for a perfect streak-free finish.
- 5) **Dust off your electronic screens** - Whether for your television screen or your phone, coffee filters work better than almost any special screen-cleaning cloth out there.

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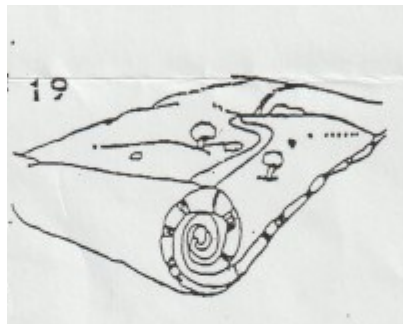
25 Clever Uses for Coffee Filters That Have Nothing to Do with Coffee (cont.)

- 6) **Clean your glasses** - Next time you clean your glasses, try using a coffee filter instead of a tissue. Good quality coffee filters are made from 100% virgin paper, so you can use them to clean your glasses without leaving lint. You can also use them to safely polish mirrors and TV and monitor screens.
- 7) **Cover food in the microwave** - Coffee filters are microwave-safe. Use them to cover bowls or dishes to prevent splatter when cooking or baking in your microwave oven.
- 8) **Filter cork crumbs from wine** - Don't let cork droppings ruin your enjoyment of a good glass of wine. If your attempt at opening the bottle results in floating cork crumbs, just decant the wine through a coffee filter.
- 9) **Catch ice cream drips** - Next time the kids scream for ice cream bars or ice pops (or you want one!), serve it with a drip catcher made from basket-style coffee filters. Just poke the stick through the center of two filters and the drips will fall into the paper, not on the child or your carpet.
- 10) **Prevent soil leakage** - When you're repotting a plant, line the pot with a coffee filter to keep the soil from leaking out through the drain hole.
- 11) **Make an instant funnel** - Cut the end off a cone-style coffee filter to make an instant funnel. Keep a few in your car and use them to avoid spillage when you add a quart of oil or two.
- 12) **Treat a fever** - Soak a few filters in brewed tea or cold water and chill in your freezer. Fold the filter up to make a cold compress to tame a headache or puffy eyes.
- 13) **Spread oil or butter** - Sturdy coffee filters won't leave fibers behind on your baking pan; use one to evenly spread oil or butter over a flat surface when cooking.
- 14) **Corral small objects** - Building an IKEA cabinet or complicated Lego set? Set out a few coffee filters to hold all the small, easily lost pieces in one place.
- 15) **Protect stacked plates** - Whether storing your fine china on the shelf or packing your everyday dishes for transport, layer some coffee filters between each plate to prevent nicks and scrapes.
- 16) **Line a cookie tin or Tupperware** - A coffee filter laid on the bottom of a food container will absorb excess oils and catch crumbs, leaving you an easy cleanup.
- 17) **Make your own tea** - Sprinkle your favorite mix of herbs into a coffee filter and tie up the top with a string. Steep in hot water and you've got some custom-made tea.
- 18) **Carry messy food** - A cone filter is the perfect size for holding a pita, quesadilla, or any on the go snack.
- 19) **Serve snacks, dish-free** - A basket filter becomes a perfect makeshift bowl for popcorn, candy, chips, and other movie night favorites.
- 20) **Take the perfect low-light photo** - Soften the flash on your camera by holding a coffee filter over it when you shoot.
- 21) **Make a colorful goodie bag** - Use some washable markers to draw a pattern on a coffee filter, then lightly mist it with water from a spray bottle. Fill the filter with candy or coins, fold into a pouch, and tie up the top with a ribbon.
- 22) **Rest a dirty spoon** - Leave a basket filter open on your counter and rest your dirty spoon or spatula on it while cooking your favorite meal.
- 23) **Polish without a mess** - Absorbent and durable, coffee filters are perfect for removing nail polish from your fingernails, or spreading shoe polish on your boots.
- 24) **Keep skillets rust-free** - Prolong the life of your good cast-iron cookware. Put a coffee filter in the skillet when it's not in use. The filter will absorb moisture and prevent rusting.
- 25) **Line a sieve** - If you save your cooking oil for reuse after deep-fat frying, line your sieve with a basket-style coffee filter to remove smaller food remnants and impurities.

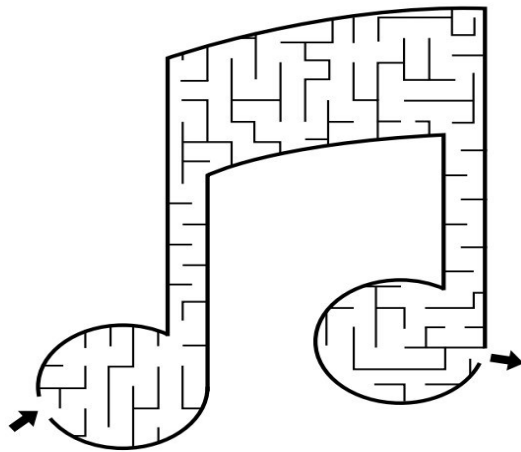


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Can you name these Manitoba Towns?
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Musical Note Maze



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Riddle . . .



I shave every day but my beard stays the same. What am I?

Answer on page 4

BRAIN TEASERS

TOUCH
V

BAN ANA

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Random Facts from rd.com

McDonald's once made bubblegum flavored broccoli. Unsurprisingly, the attempt to get kids to eat healthier didn't go over well with the child testers, who were "confused by the taste."



Armadillo shells are bulletproof. In fact, one Texas man was hospitalized when a bullet he shot at an armadillo ricocheted off the animal and hit him in the jaw.

Next Foot Clinic
Thursday, July 9th



Be sure to register with Kristie
@ 889-3132 ext. 3

Zoom Tutorial

The following are a couple of different Zoom tutorials;

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzXhxejHG_s

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E>

Great Adventures with Grandfriends

We had hoped to start our next session of Grandfriends in the Spring but COVID had other plans. The majority of our friends from Bright Beginnings will be heading off to Kindergarten in the Fall. We would like to put together a package for each of them. Please send me a school story/memory that you have or just a general well wishes message. You don't need to have been a Grandfriend in the past to take part in this. Please contact Kristie at hdlyseniorservices@mts.net or (204) 889-3132 ext. 3

If you would like any assistance with setting up Zoom or would like to do a practice meeting, please contact Kristie at (204) 889-3132 ext. 3 or hdlyseniorservices@mymts.net



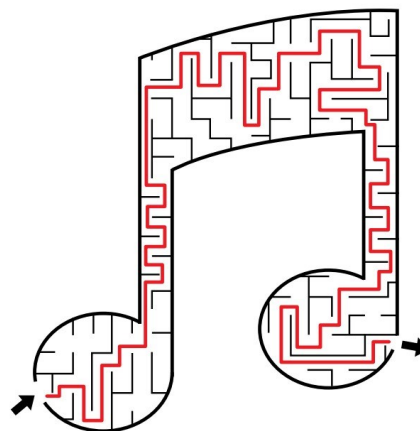
Riddle . . .

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- 1. A Barber



Puzzle Answers



Manitoba Towns: Lowe Farm, Roland



Mental Health Virtual Therapy Program

Help when you need it. Where you need it.

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/bewell/virtualtherapy.html>

July 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1 	2 <i>World UFO Day</i> 	3 <i>Air Conditioning Appreciation Day</i>	4
5	6 <i>Fried Chicken Day</i>	7 <i>Chocolate Day</i> 	8 <i>Video Games Day</i>	9 <i>Foot Clinic @ HCC</i> 	10 <i>Kebab Day</i>	11
12	13 <i>French Fries Day</i>	14 <i>Mac & Cheese Day</i>	15 <i>Gummi Worm Day</i>	16 <i>World Snake Day</i>	17 <i>World Emoji Day</i> 	18
19	20 <i>International Chess Day</i> 	21 <i>Junk Food Day</i>	22 <i>Hammock Day</i>	23 <i>Sprinkle Day</i>	24 <i>Tell an Old Joke Day</i>	25
26	27 <i>Chicken Finger Day</i>	28 <i>Milk Chocolate Day</i>	29 <i>International Tiger Day</i> 	30 <i>International Day of Friendship</i>	31 <i>World Ranger Day</i>	1

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