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Wimbledon Menu

It's easy to create a Wimbledon-themed menu - just think quintessentially British!

Come rain or shine, how about serving your special afternoon tea as an "indoor picnic".

'Picnic' Food Ideas



Buffet Scotch Eggs Mini Sausage Rolls Vol Au Vents Selection of Finger Sandwiches Quiche Pasta Salad



Strawberries & Cream Ice Cream Scones Jam & Cream Eton Mess Cup Cakes





Pimms
Bubbly
Sparkling Elderflower
Orange Juice



Go the extra point

Dress code:

Ask residents to wear anything purple or green!

Quiz:

The quizmaster (member of staf or resident) asks questions relevant to age and ability. Here's one to get you started...

Q: Who pushed for the use of yellow balls as they showed up better on TV?

A: David Attenborough

More food:

Continue the theme across the day. How about 'Andy Murry Curry' for dinner!



Top Tip

A twist on the traditional strawberries & cream, give your dessert a talking point by serving the showstopping...





Pimm's Ice Lollies

Method

STEP 1

Add the strawberries and mint leaves to a blender and process until smooth.

Pour the strawberry mixture through a fine mesh strainer to remove the seeds.

Add the Pimm's, lemonade and sugar, stirring together until combined and the sugar is dissolved.

STEP 2

Divide the cucumber pieces between a 10 x 80ml ice lolly mould and pour over the strawberry mixture, dividing equally between the sections.

Put the mould in the freezer for 30-45 mins or until it's just starting to freeze.

Insert lolly sticks and leave to freeze for at least 4 hrs or until frozen solid.

STEP 3

To remove the ice lollies, dip the mould in hot water for a few seconds, then carefully remove the lollies to serve.





Ingredients

500g Strawberries, hulled and halved lengthways

10 Mint Leaves

75ml Pimm's

200ml Lemonade

100g Golden Caster Sugar

20 Thin Slices of Cucumber, cut into quarters

Why not try adding more fruit like raspberries, blueberries and orange slices



Balloon Tennis

Singles, doubles or in teams, balloon tennis is a simple game and perfect for playing inside or out.

Balloon Tennis Game Rules...

Keep it up!

Stood up or sat down, solo or in teams, players bat the balloon back and forth between them. Every time a player fails to keep the balloon off the floor, they lose a point. Once you lose 5 points, you're out!

Solo keep it up!

Each player bats their own balloon tennis ball in the air and counts to see how many times they can bounce the balloon off their racket before it hits the floor. The person with the most bounces before their balloon touches the ground wins.

You can also make up your own balloon tennis game rules!

Rackets

Option 1

If you have access to table tennis paddles these can be used as mini indoor tennis rackets

Option 2

Cut down some pool noodles to the appropriate size to use as rackets

Option 3

Have a crafting session prior with residents to create and decorate their own racket made from a paper plate!

Full instructions can be found here: www.wimbledon.com/pdf/CM Wimbledon at Home Paper Tennis R acket FNL.pdf

Option 4

Simply use your hands to knock the balloon to the opponents area



Materials

Balloons

Optional

Tie some ribbon between to chairs to make a simple indoor net!



Use only yellow balloons to look more like tennis balls!



DIY Bunting





STEP 1

Print the template out onto card or paper

STEP 2

Colour in and decorate as required

STEP 3



Cut along the solid lines

Fold along the dotted line

STEP 4

Cut the string or ribbon to the required length



STEP 5

Fold the top flap of the flag over string or ribbon and glue for added security



Materials

Paper

Scissors

String or Ribbon

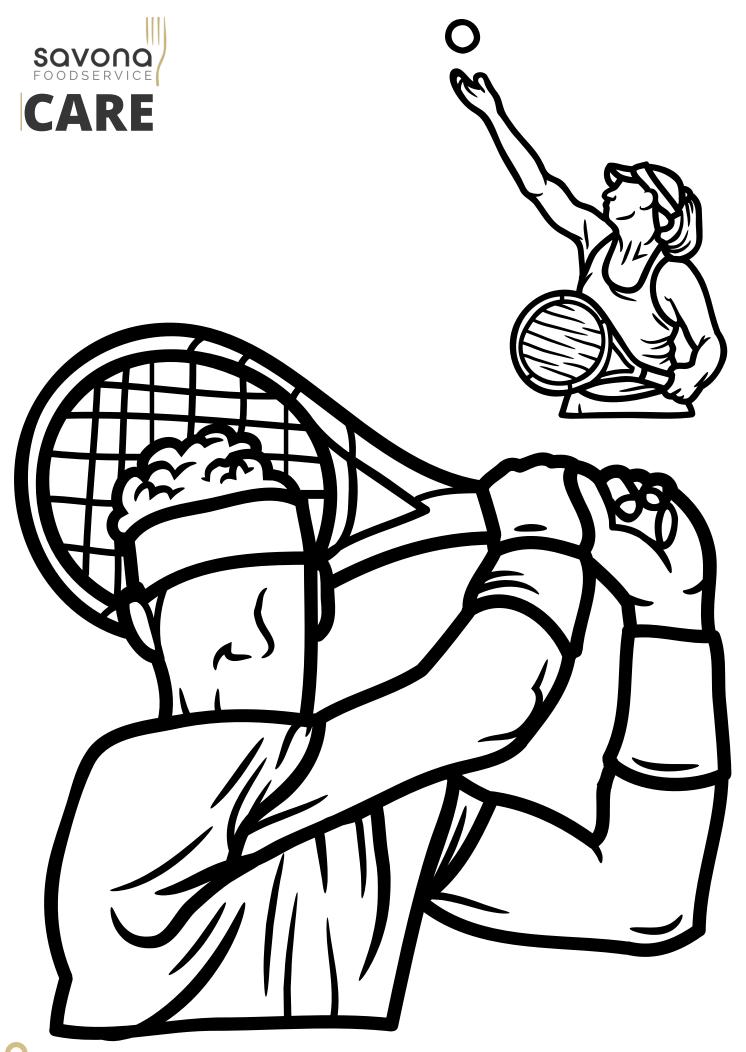
Glue

Colouring Pencils or Felt Tips



Bunting Flag Template





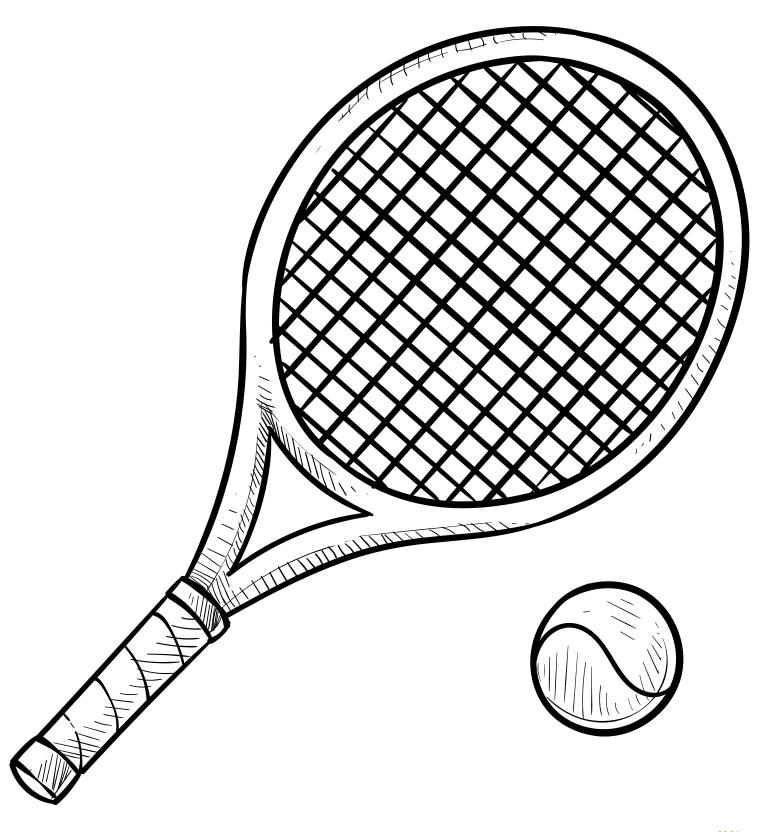
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Wimbledon What is it?

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A

B

C







D

Ξ

F



CARE

Wimbledon What is it? Answer Sheet



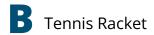
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Ladies Singles Trophy

Wimbledon Tennis Logo

Strawberries and Cream

Wimbledon Word Search

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Can you find all 12 words?

Tennis Umpire McEnroe Racket Henman Serena Bubbly **Centre Court Net** Scone Rally Strawberries

July Royal Tea Ball Love Out **Pimms** Ace

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Strawberries

Rally

A - Z Tennis



In a group or on your own, can you think of a word related to tennis that starts with every letter of the alphabet?

A	P	
B	Q	
C	R	
D	S	
E	Т	
F	U	
G	V	
н	W	
	Y	
K	Z	
L		





A - Z Tennis Help Sheet

Stuck for an answer? Here's some words so you can help the residents out!

Ace, Advantage, Andre Agassi, Andy Murry

Ball, Bounce, Ball Boy/Girl, Backhand, Break point, Billie Jean King

Court, Clay (court), Carpet (court), Call, Challenge, Champion, Championship

Deuce, Doubles, Down the line, Drive, Drop shot

Elbow, Entry, Error

Fault, First serve, Flat, Foot fault, Follow through, Forehand, Federer (Roger)

Game, Grass (court), Grand slam, Grunting

Hardcourt, Handicapping, Half volley, 'Henman Hill'

Inside-in, Inside-out, Ivan Lendl

Junk ball, Jamming, Junior league

Knock-up, Kick serve,

Love, Let, Lawn tennis, Lob, Line call,

Match, Masters, Mini-break, Mixed doubles

Net, Net point, New balls, Rafael Nadal

Out, Official, Open, Order of play, Overrule

Player, Point, Penalty, Pimms, Pre-qualifying, Perfect game, Pass, Pete Sampras

Qualifying round, Queues, 'Quiet please'

Racket, Rally, Rankings, Receiver, Referee, Return, Round, Roger Federer

Serve, Set, Slice, Scoring, Seed, Singles, Smash Spin, Stroke, Swing, Serena Williams

Tennis, Tiebreak, Topspin, Toss,

Umpire, Underhand, Unseeded,

Volley, Venus Williams

Wimbledon, Wild card, Winner, Williams (Venus/Serena)

Y -

Yellow balls, Yo-yo

Zero pointer, Zone













The use of wooden tennis rackets dates back to the middle of the nineteenth century when lawn tennis was invented and gained popularity.

By the beginning of the 1980s, almost all wooden tennis rackets were replaced by more modern rackets made from metal or graphite.

Do you like tennis?

Have you ever played tennis?

Did you learn tennis at school?

Do you remember using wooden tennis rackets?

Did you used to play tennis with your friends?







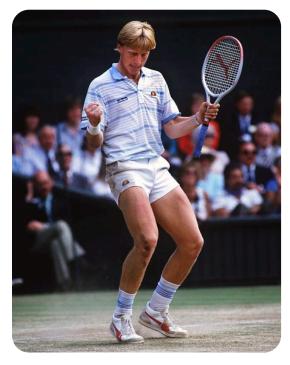
Wimbledon 1980

(Above) Bjorn Borg, winner of the men's singles in July 1980, holding the Trophy above his head.



Wimbledon 1980

Bjorn Borg (left) with John McEnroe (right)



Wimbledon 1985

(Above) Boris Becker celebrating winning a set.

On 7 July 1985, Boris Becker became the first unseeded player and the first German to win the Wimbledon men's singles title, defeating Kevin Curren in four sets.

Do you remember Bjorn Borg, John McEnroe or Boris Becker?

Did you ever watch them playing tennis on T.V.?

Do you remember any other famous tennis players from the 1970's 1980's, 1990's or any other decade?



(Above) John McEnroe in 2023

Do you remember John McEnroe famously saying 'you can not be serious' on June 22, 1981?









Cliff Richard famously singing to the crowds in 1996 when rain brought play to a close.

The wettest year for Wimbledon on record was in 1997 when 118.3mm of rain was recorded.

Do you remember Cliff Richard singing to the Wimbledon crowds in the rain?



Virginia Wade (right) proudly holding up the women single trophy, Queen Elizabeth (left) looking on in the background.

In 1977, during the Silver Jubilee year of Queen Elizabeth II, British tennis player, Virginia Wade, beat Betty Stove in the women's singles final.

Do you remember Virginia Wade or Betty Stove?







The Wimbledon Championships were first held in 1870 with 22 male competitors and a crowd of 200 spectators.

Spencer Gore become the first Champion.

Today there are 14,979 seats in the centre court alone and the grounds at Wimbledon can contain 42,000 spectators at one time.

(Left) c.1950's Wimbledon tennis court in the rain. The crowds, still in their seats, sheltering under umbrellas.



The manually drawn covers for Wimbledon centre court were replaced in 2009 with a retractable roof. It takes 10 minutes for the roof to close fully once it starts raining



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