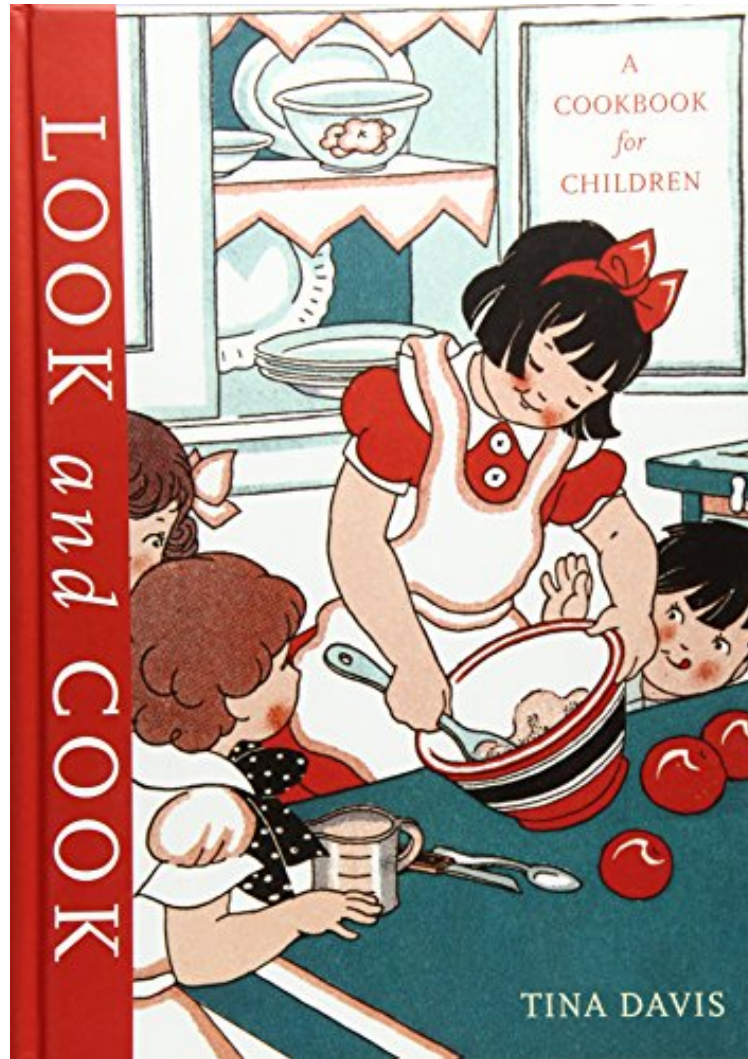


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Tina Davis : Look and Cook: A Cookbook for Children before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Look and Cook: A Cookbook for Children:

60 of 60 people found the following review helpful. A very nice cookbook for children...and even adults!By SusanI bought this book mainly because I liked the "retro-ness" of it. It has WONDERFUL retro illustrations on every page, and so is a very attractive cookbook for children. Of course, the look isn't the main issue in a cookbook, and I will say the other features are near excellent too. The spiral binding is a real plus. A cookbook needs to lie flat! The pages are very sturdy. It has handy sections; the first one being several pages illustrating various kitchen tools and equipment. If a child says, "What is a sieve?" they can find it pictured in this section. This section can also be a helpful checklist for

a child who wants to start collecting their own kitchen items. There also is a section illustrating the proper way to set a table, a section in the back consisting of several pages to record your own favorite recipes, a section on kitchen safety tips, a section on how to measure, and a page illustrating how to test the freshness of the eggs in your fridge by putting them in a glass of water and seeing if they float or not (the higher an egg floats in a glass of water, the older it is). As for the recipes: They are of the very basic foods, chosen for children: soups; main dishes; veggies; breads, biscuits, and muffins; cakes, cookies, and pies; more desserts; snacks; and beverages. I, as an adult cooking for many years, have my own favorite recipes for most of the recipes in this book, like the blueberry muffins, chicken noodle soup, pumpkin pie, baked mac and cheese, etc. I did make the stove top mac and cheese recipe here in the book and it was easy and good. Everyone has the Nestle Tollhouse cookie recipe whenever they buy the chocolate chips, but it is in here in the book. I found their method for making cinnamon toast a bit strange, by using the broiler! It is much easier for a child to put bread in the toaster, spread the hot toast it with butter, and then sprinkle the cinnamon/sugar on. The strangest recipe is called "Pig in a Poke" ...you bake a hot dog in a whole potato! I want to try that one! My daughter will be preparing the tuna casserole for dinner tonight. Overall, I highly recommend this book because of all the good information it gives children about working in the kitchen and for its beautiful and pleasing design. It would make a wonderful birthday gift to any child who has an interest in cooking.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful.
For Big Kids Too
By Maudesmum
I bought this cookbook for a little friend and her mother has reported back to me that she loves it. She told me her daughter stayed up late and was reading it. She has already chosen a pudding recipe to try as well as one where you cut a hole in a slice of bread, put it in skillet add an egg to the hole and cook, flip, cook. Sounds like fun to me! Mom was impressed with the blank pages in the back for adding recipes. I can almost see her daughter years from now looking through it and smiling as she remembers making certain things and adding recipes to it. Those are things that are priceless. I still have cookbooks given to me by my mother and as I flip through them it takes me back to our kitchen where she taught me how to measure, stir, bake, follow a recipe and praise my end result. Those are treasures you can not buy.. only create- and any child and adult, be it mom, grandma, aunt or good friend can do that with this book. This is a real treasure.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. and good tasting!
I am very impressed
By Smart Shopper
My kids are 6 and 8 now and we've started "cooking class" on the weekends, wherein the kids choose a recipe and we make it together. So far the recipes they've chosen from Look and Cook have been simple enough for the kids to follow along (with my guidance), well-written, and good tasting! I am very impressed. I bought the book quite awhile ago because I loved the illustrations and am happy that it is also super-functional.

This instructive, visually appealing cookbook for children and adults features classic recipes and vintage illustrations from old cookbooks.

From School Library Journal
Grade 4-8
Filled with recipes for old-fashioned dishes like tuna casserole, cream of tomato soup, and gingerbread men, this attractively designed cookbook may appeal more to nostalgic adults than to children. The selection of recipes is long on sweets and shy on fresh vegetables and fruit. There's no denying the appeal factor of much of this comfort food, and the step-by-step directions are usually clear, although adult help and some knowledge of cooking will be required for many of the dishes. For instance, to make baked macaroni and cheese, readers are not told to stir the sauce after adding the milk, a pretty significant omission. It's a plus that there are extras like safety tips, measurement equivalents, and how to set a table. However, the vintage illustrations in these sections don't show any of the modern equipment called for in some of the recipes. The author has apparently scoured old cookbooks for the very spiffy pictures (mostly from the 1920s through the 1950s) and has put the whole together in a book that pulls off being a great meld of elegant and kitschy. Yet it may be best suited as a gift item (there are pages at the back where readers can write in their own favorite recipes). It's aesthetically pleasing, though, so consider this if you purchase for large collections.

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