Neapolitan Rice

(just another way to cook rice ...)

Ingredients:

15 mL margarine

½ onion, chopped fine

1 can -284 mL sliced mushrooms, drained (optional)

175 mL rice, uncooked

½ package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained

1 Can -398 mL tomatoes, diced (with juice)

125 mL water

5 mL chicken stock or 1 package

2 mL salt

1 mL dried basil Dash pepper

125 mL grated cheddar cheese



Method:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 F. Grease casserole dish or square pan.
- 2. Drain mushrooms; set aside. Unwrap spinach, place in glass dish and microwave for 3 minutes. Drain, rinse with cold water so you are able to handle and squeeze out excess moisture.
- 3. In a large pot (= sauce pan) melt margarine; cook onions until softened.
- 4. If using, add mushrooms and cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 5. Stir in the rest of the ingredients **EXCEPT** the cheese. Bring to a boil, stirring occasionally and breaking up the pieces of tomato with wooden spoon.
- 6. Reduce heat to low and simmer covered for 10 minutes. DO NOT PEEK.
- 7. Stir in grated cheese and transfer to greased casserole dish. Bake covered in oven for 30 minutes.