FOOD FROM NOVELS WE WISHED WERE TRUE...

Foods from novels that we wish were real (and what we turn to instead)...

The Lord of the Rings – Lembas Bread

'One bite is enough to fill the stomach of a grown man'

Described as sweet and with the texture of a wafer, one piece can keep you going for days! Very useful on a student budget!

Real world alternative: Porridge

The adverts are correct! Porridge is the breakfast of adventures and a small serving can keep you going till lunch! Whilst not as magical, porridge can be sweetened much like Lembas bread and without the help of elves.

Harry Potter – Chocolate Frogs

I'm not too sure if having to catch your chocolate is a good idea when you need a sugary pick me up, but it would be great fun to give it a go (the exercise would be an excuse to eat more anyway).

Real world alternative: Milk Chocolate Easter Bunny

Although not as exciting as Ron's favourite sweet treat, every year many of us enjoy chomping down on a chocolate bunny for Easter. The lack of magic makes bunnies easier to catch too.

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Fizzy Lifting Drink

Come on, who hasn't dreamt of being able to fly! And if they're from Wonka's Chocolate factory they're going to taste good too.

Real world alternative: ...

Unfortunately, after extensive research we have concluded that no such drink insists (we're just as upset as you are). Unless one is brave enough to consume lemonade whilst on a trampoline which, lets face it, could get *very* messy. It has been known that some people feel weightless when completely and absolutely drunk (you didn't hear it from us) but maybe don't try that out.

Alice in Wonderland – 'Eat Me' Cake and 'Drink Me' Potion

It would be pretty fun to shrink down to the size of a mouse and sneak into places and then when you're bored of being tiny, you can take a bite of 'Eat Me' cake and go back to your normal size.



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Much like the Fizzy Lifting Drink debacle, 'Eat Me' cakes and 'Drink Me' potions have no real life alternative. Alas, there will be no mouse-sized shrinking for the foreseeable future. Don't let us stop you from having a go at making your own versions, but unfortunately the magical aspect will likely remain unattainable.

The Magicians Nephew – Toffee Fruit Tree

A magical tree which bears fruit which tastes like toffee! I'd plant a whole orchard full of these!

Real world alternative: Lychee Fruit

Growing on tropical trees native to Guangdong and Fuji, Lychee is a sweet, fleshy fruit that can grow in the shape of hearts! The outside rind looks magical with its pink and red colours and spikes all around (like a dragon's egg). Lychee most definitely deserve a spot in a magical orchard.

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