Ham & Potato Soup

(Makes 4 Servings)



Shopping list:

- 4 Carrots or 1/2 lb (peeled and diced)
- 2 small potatoes (peeled and cut into chunks)
- 2 ribs celery (diced)
- 1 small onion (diced)
- 2 garlic cloves or 1 teaspoon (minced)
- 1/2 cup uncooked medium barley
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon ground thyme

- 4 teaspoons chicken bullion granules
- 8oz bone-in ham steak or 1 cup (cut in 1/2 inch pieces)
- 6oz evaporated milk (split 12oz can between 2 bags)
- 4 cups of water (NOT NEEDED until day of cooking)
- 1 gallon-sized plastic freezer bag
- 1 quart-sized plastic freezer bag

Prep:

- 1. Label your freezer bag
- 2. To your gallon-sized freezer bag, add all ingredients (except evaporated milk and water). To keep potatoes from browning, chop them last and add to the top of your freezer bag.
- 3. Add evaporated milk to a quart-sized plastic freezer bag. Seal, and add to gallon-sized bag.
- 4. Remove as much air from the gallon-sized freezer bag as possible, seal, and lay flat in your freezer.

Cook:

- 1. The night before cooking, move frozen bag to your refrigerator to thaw.
- 2. The morning of cooking, pour contents of gallon-sized freezer bag into your crockpot and add water. Keep bag of evaporated milk in the refrigerator.
- 3. Cook items in crockpot on "low" setting for 8 hours, or until carrots and potatoes are soft. Stir in evaporated milk and leave lid open a crack. Continue to cook for 15 minutes.
- Enjoy!

