Caramel Corn

Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 1 hour

Total Time: 1 hour, 15 minutes

Makes: about 9 cups

Ingredients:

8 cups fresh popped popcorn (1/3 cup popping corn)

3/4 cup any nuts (almonds/walnuts/pecans/dry roasted peanuts)

5 Tablespoons unsalted butter

• 1/2 cup brown sugar

• 1/4 cup corn syrup

• 1/2 teaspoon salt

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1/2 teaspoon baking soda

• 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Instructions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 250° F.
- 2. Place popped corn into a large bowl. Place the nuts on top.
- Heat the butter, brown sugar, corn syrup, and salt in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil, stirring until butter is melted. Reduce heat and cook, undisturbed and uncovered, for 5 minutes.
- 4. Remove saucepan from heat and stir in baking soda & vanilla.
- 5. Pour the syrup over the nuts & popcorn, stirring quickly.
- 6. Spread the mixture onto an ungreased baking sheet. Bake for one hour, removing briefly every 15 minutes to stir.
- 7. Spread the mixture onto wax paper to cool. It will seem sticky at first but it will dry up nicely.

Note: Plain corn syrup is not the same as high fructose corn syrup.

