

Strawberry Topping

16 OZ. FRESH RIPE STRAWBERRIES

3/4 CUP SUGAR

PIE PLATE OR SHALLOW DISH

MICROWAVABLE BOWL

1 TBSP. STRAWBERRY GELATIN

Rinse Strawberries well under cold water. Remove stems. Slice strawberries into a medium size microwavable bowl. Add sugar on top of sliced berries. Place in microwave and cook on high for 3 minutes. Remove and mash strawberries so the juices combine in the sugar well. Add gelatin if desired. Mix well. Pour strawberries into a shallow pie plate or pan and place in the freezer until cool (don't freeze). Refrigerate topping in an airtight container or use in a dessert once cold.

This topping freezes well, so buy strawberries while in season and freeze topping for quick desserts in the fall and winter.