Arya's Ultimate Brownie Recipe

Ingredients:

□ 10 tablespoons Butter or Margarine	□ ½ teaspoon Vanilla Extract
□ 1 ½ cups Sugar	□ 2 Large Eggs
□ ¾ cup Cocoa Powder (plus extra for dusting)	□ ½ cup Flour

Oven Temperature: 325°F Bake Time: 20 to 25 minutes Makes: 12 to 16 brownies

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 325°F. Light grease an 8x8 pan with butter or margarine, and dust lightly with extra cocoa powder.
- 2. Fill a saucepan halfway with water and allow to boil.
- 3. While the water is boiling, combine butter, cocoa powder, and sugar in a large heat proof bowl.
- 4. Once the water is boiling, turn heat to low and place heatproof bowl over the saucepan.
- 5. Mix the butter, cocoa powder, and sugar until they combine to become a smooth thick, smooth consistency. Mix in vanilla extract.
- 6. Remove heatproof bowl from over the heat and turn off the stove.
- 7. To the cocoa mixture, add one egg at a time, mixing until well combined and batter is shiny.
- 8. Add flour, little by little, gently mixing after each addition.
- 9. [Most important step, for perfectly chewy brownies] Vigorously mix the batter with a wooden spoon for 40 to 50 strokes, or 1 minute with a mixer.
- 10. Pour batter into pan and bake for 20 to 25 minutes, or until a toothpick test gives you slightly moist batter.

