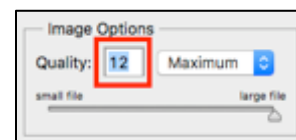


# Preparing Images for Use

You need to make sure your images are suitable for use before building your recipe card. Do this for every image you plan on using.

## Step 1 – Crop

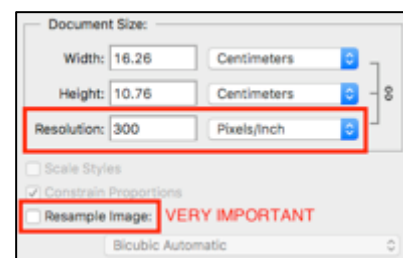
1. Open the image in Photoshop (**File > Open**)
2. Use the **crop tool** to crop the image
3. **Save** it using a filename like muffin\_v2. If the file is a JPG select the **highest possible quality setting**



## Step 2 – PPI

Most of the images you download will be 72ppi. This is no good – you need 300ppi.

1. Check the PPI: **Image > Image Size**  
If the PPI is 72 (or anything lower than 300) then you need to change it.
2. Change the **Resolution** value to **300**
3. **VERY IMPORTANT:** make sure the **Resample Image tick box** at the bottom of the window **IS NOT TICKED**
4. Click **OK**. the image on screen won't change
5. **Save** it using filename like muffin\_v3



## Step 3 – Resize

Resize the images first – it's worth more marks!

1. **Image > Image Size**
2. **VERY IMPORTANT:** make sure **Resample Image IS TICKED**
3. **VERY IMPORTANT:** make sure **Constrain Proportions IS TICKED**
4. Change **one** of the sizes – the others should change
5. **Save** it using filename like muffin\_v4

