
Subject: freerice.com

Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Wed, 19 Dec 2007 21:30:22 GMT

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They will donate 20 grains of rice for UN every time you get word right. Expanding your vocabulary while you do charity work! I'm at 3480 Grains right now.

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [Slave](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 02:17:09 GMT

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Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 02:18:19 GMT

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And the money comes from...?

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [Viking](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 02:19:16 GMT

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sadukar09 wrote on Thu, 20 December 2007 02:18And the money comes from...?

Under the couch cushions.

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [Slave](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 02:31:10 GMT

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rough calculation

9,868,446,910 grains gathered in total
one grain weights 25 mg

246,711 kg gathered in total
35 cent per kg
86,350 euro/dollar

Crappy calculation, but it's better than what I expected. If they can somehow guarantee that the rice actually goes to where they say it goes, I might actually like this idea. My opinion changed.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [Sn1per74*](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 05:18:57 GMT
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We did this in my English class for bonus points.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [Dreganius](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 07:17:09 GMT
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This is NOT for anyone who uses l337speak, or doesn't speakah teh ingrish me rikey vewy much.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 20:36:17 GMT
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Wow, intresting.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [The Elite Officer](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 20:38:00 GMT
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Viking wrote on Wed, 19 December 2007 21:19sadukar09 wrote on Thu, 20 December 2007 02:18And the money comes from...?

Under the couch cushions.

In between your ass crack, lol

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [AoBfrost](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 21:36:31 GMT

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Something tells me free rice is a scam, How come I have never heard of them, and if they send out soo much free rice, why arent the africans yet fed?

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 22:06:58 GMT
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^^Site started last month, apparently you don't know how much rice is how much, nor the amount of people who recieve it. It's not a scam.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [AoBfrost](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 22:58:57 GMT
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Who is really going to count 300000 million grains of rice for each person playing?

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 22:59:18 GMT
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The...computer?

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [cmatt42](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 23:40:59 GMT
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sadukar09 wrote on Thu, 20 December 2007 16:59The...computer?
I think he meant who's going to handcount the grains when they get ready to ship out the rice. I admit, he does have a point.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 23:48:07 GMT
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20 grains of rice... wow...

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [genetix](#) on Fri, 21 Dec 2007 21:52:01 GMT

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Most sites like this don't go:

"Wow they earned 4 223 992 pieces of rice. We better count out that exact amount!"

Think about it. The website was made to help feed people in 3rd world countries. You think they give a dam if they give out the perfect amount of rice? Of course not. They make money off the banner ads on the site and that money would go towards feeding people. It's no new concept.

Quite the idea though. The whole counting rice thing is just there to help keep people playing.

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Fri, 21 Dec 2007 22:53:14 GMT

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Why don't they just make a website that generates the same amount of money and simply use that money to give 10,000 grains of rice? What is with all this "oh play this game and you give starving people 20 grains of rice!"

I don't get it... How come they can't just cut out the middle man (you) and simply donate the rice from the money the website generates or what ever...

I honestly don't see how playing a game is going to feed other people..

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Fri, 21 Dec 2007 23:20:40 GMT

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Because being illiterate is good right? This game HELPS you in vocabulary, and helps feed hungry people, why the FUCK would you complain?

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [bisen11](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 00:29:22 GMT

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People at my school would use dictionary.com while doing it.

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Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 00:30:27 GMT
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How are you suppose to learn if you cheat?

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [bisen11](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 00:33:54 GMT
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sadukar09 wrote on Fri, 21 December 2007 19:30How are you suppose to learn if you cheat?

You're more likely to learn if you see the definition of the word. Nor does it say that you can't use a dictionary therefor it is not cheating. Furthermore, I'm sure they didn't care so much about learning words as they did trying to get a lot of rice.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 00:36:51 GMT
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Depends before trying, or after. If you tried and got it wrong, you should look it up the dictionary, but if you just look it up, you are cheating yourself.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [bisen11](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 00:40:03 GMT
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Or are you being stubborn for not seeing that it's better to get more rice for people without food.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 00:56:36 GMT
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You actually get it slower if you check every word. The difficulty of the words adjust to your level, so if you get all the hard words wrong, you go down levels. I currently got about 4000 grains in 15-20 minutes. People who search the words takes the same amount of time to get around 500.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [JeepRubi](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 02:37:32 GMT
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Why don't you get a job, and use some of the money for yourself, and some of the money to buy bags and bags of rice, then ship it to 3rd world countries?

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Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 02:53:22 GMT
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How are you going to make sure the food actually makes it to needy people? Instead of corrupt government or customs officials?

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 03:32:55 GMT
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sadukar09 wrote on Fri, 21 December 2007 18:20 Because being illiterate is good right? This game HELPS you in vocabulary, and helps feed hungry people, why the FUCK would you complain?
Because their putting people's lives in the hands of other people through the medium of an online game. If you win, you feed a hungry person 1/50 a meal. If you lose, they suffer...

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 12:44:22 GMT
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Then TRY and get it right? Instead of just randomly guessing.

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 13:32:11 GMT
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Whose gives a shit about cheating just get the people that need the rice, the fucking rice..

Subject: Re: freerice.com
Posted by [genetix](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 18:16:09 GMT

sadukar09 wrote on Fri, 21 December 2007 20:53 How are you going to make sure the food actually makes it to needy people? Instead of corrupt government or customs officials?

I know you aren't the only person but I didn't feel like quoting everyone.

People really need to read the website. You click FAQ at the top and they go over all the questions brought up here...

Quote: Who distributes the donated rice?

The rice is distributed by the United Nations World Food Program (WFP). The World Food Program is the world's largest food aid agency, working with over 1,000 other organizations in over 75 countries. In addition to providing food, the World Food Program helps hungry people to become self-reliant so that they escape hunger for good. Wherever possible, the World Food Program buys food locally to support local farmers and the local economy. We encourage you to visit the United Nations World Food Program to learn more about their successful approach to ending hunger.

Quote: Who pays for the donated rice?

The rice is paid for by the advertisers whose names you see on the bottom of your vocabulary screen. This is regular advertising for these companies, but it is also something more. Through their advertising at FreeRice, these companies support both learning (free vocabulary for everyone) and reducing hunger (free rice for the hungry). We commend these companies for their participation at FreeRice.

Subject: Re: freerice.com

Posted by [bisen11](#) on Sat, 22 Dec 2007 21:02:20 GMT

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Jeep Rubi wrote on Fri, 21 December 2007 21:37 Why don't you get a job, and use some of the money for yourself, and some of the money to buy bags and bags of rice, then ship it to 3rd world countries?

Because people are lazy.
