

**STRAWBERRY LEMONADE**  
***The Cooks Next Door***

1/2 c. sugar  
1/2 c. fresh lemon juice  
1/2 c. water  
8-10 strawberries, halved  
1 c. sparkling water  
ice  
mint

Combine sugar, lemon juice, and water - stir until sugar is dissolved. Add strawberries and juice to the blender and pulse. Add sparkling water and blend until smooth. Serve over ice and garnish with fresh mint. Serves 3-4.