## A Food Guide

Build A Healthy Plate

Drink water often, with and between your meals.



Choose fat-free or low-fat (1\%) milk.


Vegetables and fruits fill half the plate.
Pile them as high as you want. If you are still hungry, go for more fruit and veggies.

Choose a variety of colors and forms: fresh, frozen, canned or dried, and 100\% juice.


A starch/grain fills a fourth of the plate not more than $1 / 2$ inch high. Make half your grains whole grains. A meat/protein fills a fourth of the plate, not more than $1 / 2$ inch high.

Keep meat and poultry portions lean and small.

Eat beans, a natural source of fiber and protein.

## WHOLE FOODS:

- Choose foods in their natural, unprocessed form when possible.

For example, fresh apples are in the "whole" form nature gave us. Applesauce and apple juice are more processed. Apple flavored products may not contain real apples.


## Water:

- Drink more water, the liquid your body needs.


## MODERATION:

- Reduce your risk of chronic diseases by limiting the amounts of foods you eat that are high in fats, sugars, and salt, such as fatty meats, desserts and frozen meals.
- Avoid oversized portions.


## VARIETY:

- Get the nutrients your body needs to be healthy by eating many different kinds of foods.


## PHYSICAL ACTIVITY:

- Be physically active in your own way.
- Pick activities that you like and start by doing
 what you can, at least 10 minutes at a time.
- Adults should aim for 30 minutes each day.
- Children should aim for 60 minutes each day.


## ENJOY:

- Enjoy your food.
- Cook together, eat together, talk together. Make mealtime a family time!


## Be A Food Detective

Guess how many teaspoons of fat and salt are in the food below.

Chocolate
Candy Bar 1 ounce


Brown Rice
1 cup

Banana
v.s. 1 medium



Brown Rice with
v.s.

1 tablespoon
Regular Shoyu



Tuna in water
2.5 ounces
( $1 / 2$ can)


Potato
1 medium


Luncheon Meat canned
3 ounces ( $1 / 4$ can)

v.s.

## Potato Chips

v.s. small bag
(1 oz.)


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Fruits \& Veggies - More Matters ${ }^{\circledR}$ choose all different forms: Fresh, Frozen, Canned, Dried and 100\% Juice. Select fruit for dessert.


List or draw the fruits and vegetables you ate, or will eat today.


## FRUITS <br> VEGETABLES

List or draw the fruits and vegetables you plan to eat $\qquad$


## FRUITS AND VEGGIES: Make half your plate fruits and vegetables. Choose a variety of colors. Choose different forms.

| Acerola | Carrot | Grape | Lychee | Pineapple | Sugar Snap Peas |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Apple | Cauliflower | Green bean | Mango | Pomegranate | Surinam Cherry |
| Apricot | Celery | Green pepper | Marungay | Prickly Pear | Tamarind |
| Banana | Chayote | Guava | Mushroom | Pommelo | Tangerine |
| Bean Sprout | Cherimoya | Jicama | Okra | Pumpkin | Tomato |
| Bittermelon | Choi sum | Kiwi | Orange | Seaweed | Turnips |
| Blueberry | Cucumber | Kumquat | Papaya | Spinach | Watercress |
| Broccoli | Eggplant | Lettuce | Peach | Squash | Watermelon |
| Cabbage | Fresh herbs | Lilikoi | Peas | Starfruit | Winged Bean |
| Cantaloupe | Grapefruit | Luau Leaf | Persimmon | Strawberry | Zucchini |

## PROTEINS: Keep meat and poultry portions lean and small.

 Eat beans, a natural source of fiber and protein.Meat, Poultry, Fish, Dry Beans, Eggs, and Nuts Group \& Milk, Yogurt, Cheese and Calcium Foods Group

| Fish | Beef | Beans/Soybeans | Sardines | Milk |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Seafood | Pork | Lentils | Salmon | Cheese |
| Tuna | Chicken | Nuts | Dried Fish | Yogurt |
| Eggs | Turkey | Tofu | Bones | Cottage Cheese |

## GRAINS: Make at least half your grains whole grains.

| Bagels | Corn/Cornmeal | Macaroni | Soba | Starchy Vegetables: |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Barley | Crackers | Oats | Somen | Breadfruit | Potato |
| Breads | English Muffins | Pita bread | Spaghetti | Green banana | Sweet potato |
| Bulgur | Look fun | Rice | Tortillas | Poi | Taro |
| Buns | Long rice | Pancit | Udon |  |  |
| Cereals | Millet | Saimin | Whole grains |  |  |

## CUT BACK ON FOODS HIGH IN FATS, SUGARS, AND SALTS

Limit foods high in fats, oils, sugar and salt. Limit sweets and sugary desserts.
WATER: Drink the liquid your body needs.

## BE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE IN YOUR OWN WAY.

## Answers

FAT: chocolate candy bar $=2 \mathrm{tsp}$, banana $=\mathrm{v}$. little, tuna in water= $1 / 6 \mathrm{tsp}$, luncheon meat $=41 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}$ SALT: brown rice $=\mathrm{v}$. little, brown rice $\& 1$ tbsp. shoyu $=1 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}$, potato $=\mathrm{v}$. little, potato chips=1/10 tsp

[^0]Produce a Plate with Fruits and Veggies


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## Dressings

Sauces, dips and dressings can add taste and flavor to vegetables and fruits. Store bought products may be high in fat, salt, and calories.

Homemade sauces, dips and dressings are quick and easy to prepare. These recipes are low in fat, rich in flavor, a good source of nutrients, and taste great.



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