A Healthy Lifestyle

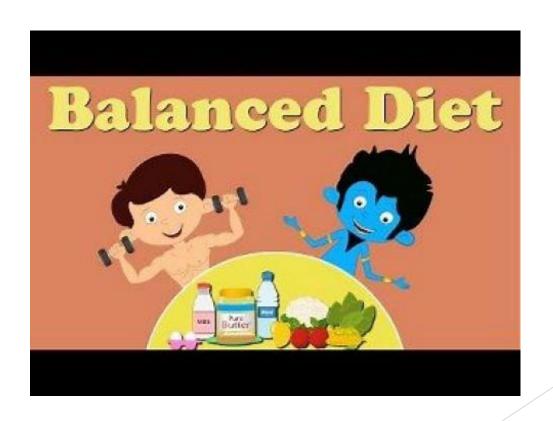
Food

Exercise



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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YimuldEZSNY



Let's find out:

- ► Why do we need food?
- How does food help us to grow and stay healthy?
- ► How should we eat to stay healthy?





In order to remain healthy, we should eat a balanced diet. This means we should eat a variety of foods.

Food can be sorted into several groups - fruit, vegetables, meat, fish and nuts, dairy and grains.

vegetables

milk

fruit

grains

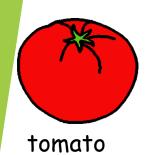
meat, fish and beans snack foods

fast foods

healthy food pyramid

Vegetables

You should eat 3 serves of vegetables each day. It is best to eat a variety of vegetables so that you don't get bored. Dark green and orange vegetables are best for us. Vegetables are best eaten raw. They lose some of their vitamins if they're cooked. Where possible, it is best to eat the skin of vegetables. Most of the vitamins are just under the skin, so if you take off the skin, you also take of the vitamins.



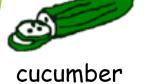
Vegetables











carrot

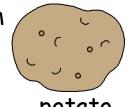
mushroom











potato



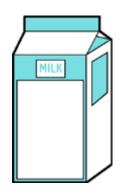
pumpkin





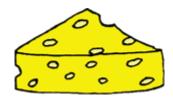
Milk products give us calcium. Calcium builds strong teeth and bones. Even though we think of milk as a drink, it is actually a food. It is best to eat or drink low fat milk products. Unflavoured yoghurts are better for you as they have less sugar. You could put the unflavoured yoghurt on fruit. You need 2 serves of milk products a day.





milk

cheese





cream

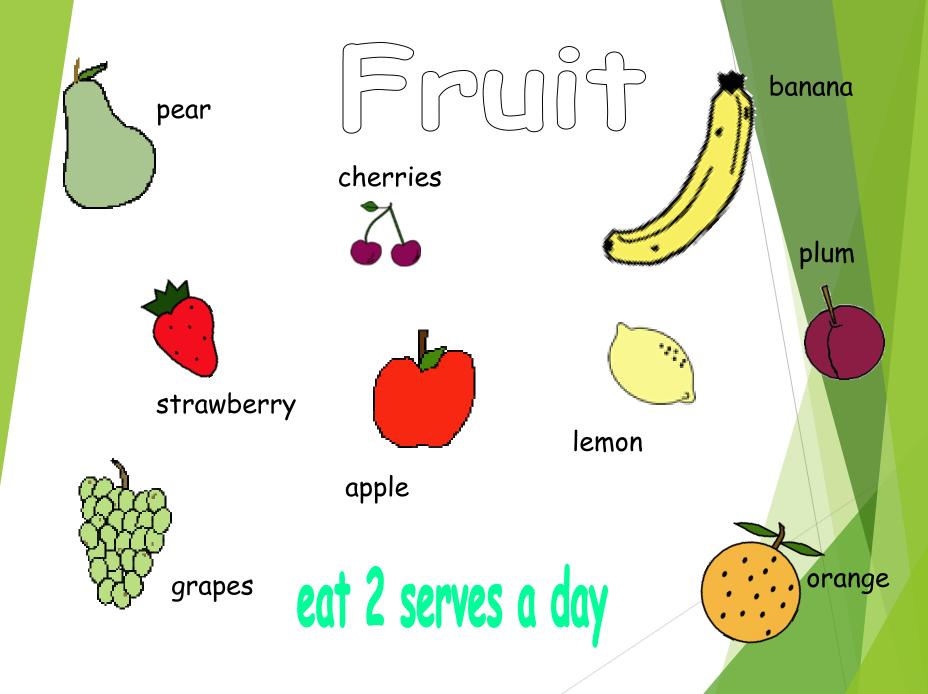
ice-cream

have 2 serves a day



Fruit

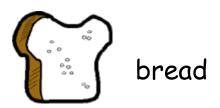
Fruits are very high in sugar so are a good alternative to Iollies. They are high in fibre. It is better to have a piece of fruit than fruit juice. If you are drinking fruit juice it is best to juice your own fruit. Children need two serves of fruit a day. It's good fun to try different fruits. Next time you go to the supermarket with mum, ask her to buy you a fruit you have never tried. Fruits help us to heal when we cut ourselves.



Carbohydrates

When eating carbohydrates foods it is best to eat whole grain foods. To find out if a food is a whole grain food look for these words on the packet: oatmeal, whole-grain corn, whole oats, whole wheat.

Whole grain bread is better for us than white bread. If you are buying brown bread, look at the label to see if it is made from whole grains. You should eat about 6 servings of grains a day.



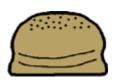


Carbohydrates



rice

eat 6 serves a day



bread roll

cereal



Meat, Fish and Beans

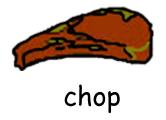
Foods from the meat, fish and beans group give us protein. Protein builds strong muscles. You should eat 2 servings of the meat, fish or beans group a day. It is best to eat only 2 to 3 servings of red meat a week. Fish and fish oils help to keep our brains healthy and alert.

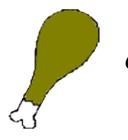
Meat and fish are best cooked on the barbeque or a grill so that the fat drains off. Before cooking meat, make sure you cut off as much fat as you can.

Don't eat too many processed meats such as ham, salami and sausages as these are high in fat and salt.

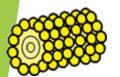
Meat, Fish and Beans







chicken



corn

eat 2 serves a day





baked beans







peanut butter



tuna

Snack Foods

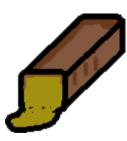
Snack foods are foods we eat in between meals to keep up our energy.

If you look on the supermarket shelves there are many snack foods that are not healthy for us. It is Ok to eat these foods occasionally about 4 servings a week, but they should never be eaten in place of a meal or a food from the healthy food pyramid.

If you are hungry think about eating healthy snack food. Can you suggest some ideas?

Unhealthy Snack Food

chocolate



lollypop



soft drink



chips

eat only occasionally



sweet biscuit



fruit bar

rollup



cake



salted crackers

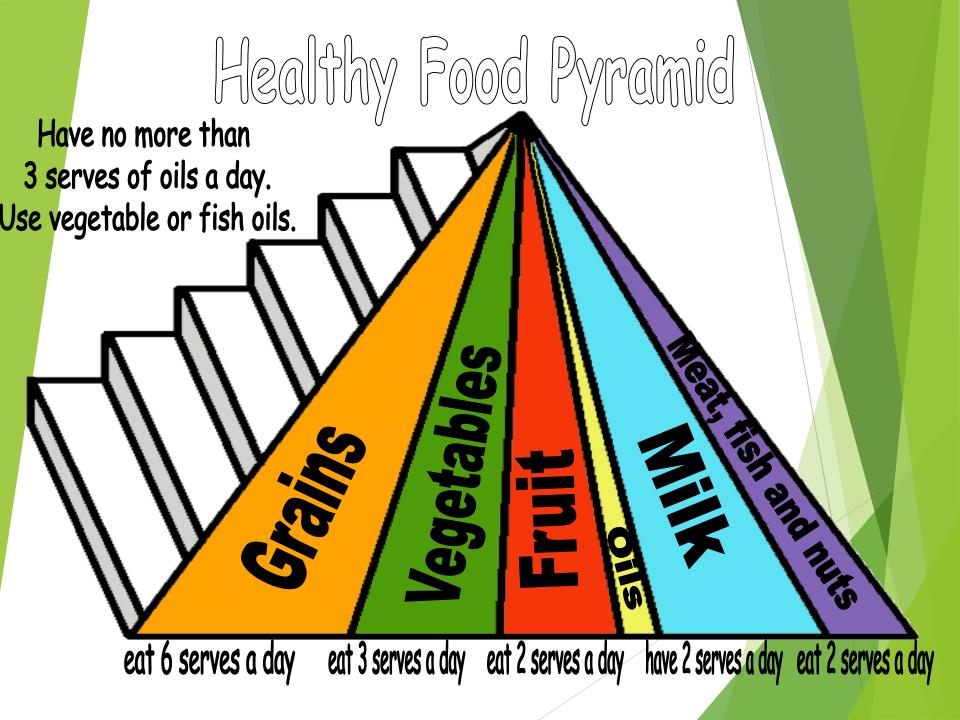


Fast Foods

Fast foods are foods we buy for a meal. We sometimes do this for a treat or because mum or dad is just too tired to cook.

As a rule, most fast foods are unhealthy for you. They are high in sugar, fat and or salt. These things help make our food taste yummy but are not good for us if we eat too much of them. So try to eat fast foods only occasionally.





Exercise

We need at least an hours exercise a day. This does not mean we have to run for an hour. Exercise can be anything that gets our body moving. It is a good idea to vary your exercise so that you don't get bored and so that you exercise different muscles.



