



Healthy Weight Toolkit

The information in this packet will help guide you to living a healthier lifestyle and reaching or keeping a healthy weight.

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Why I'm here:

Eat Throughout the Day

To have a healthy weight, it is very important to not go long periods of time without eating. When we go a long time without eating, our blood sugar drops and we get very hungry. When we are ready to eat, we often overeat unhealthy foods. Eating at least three times per day can help prevent overeating unhealthy foods.

Aim to eat sometime in the morning, sometime in the middle of the day, and sometime in the evening.



Write down the times of day that will work best for you to eat your meals:

Morning: _____

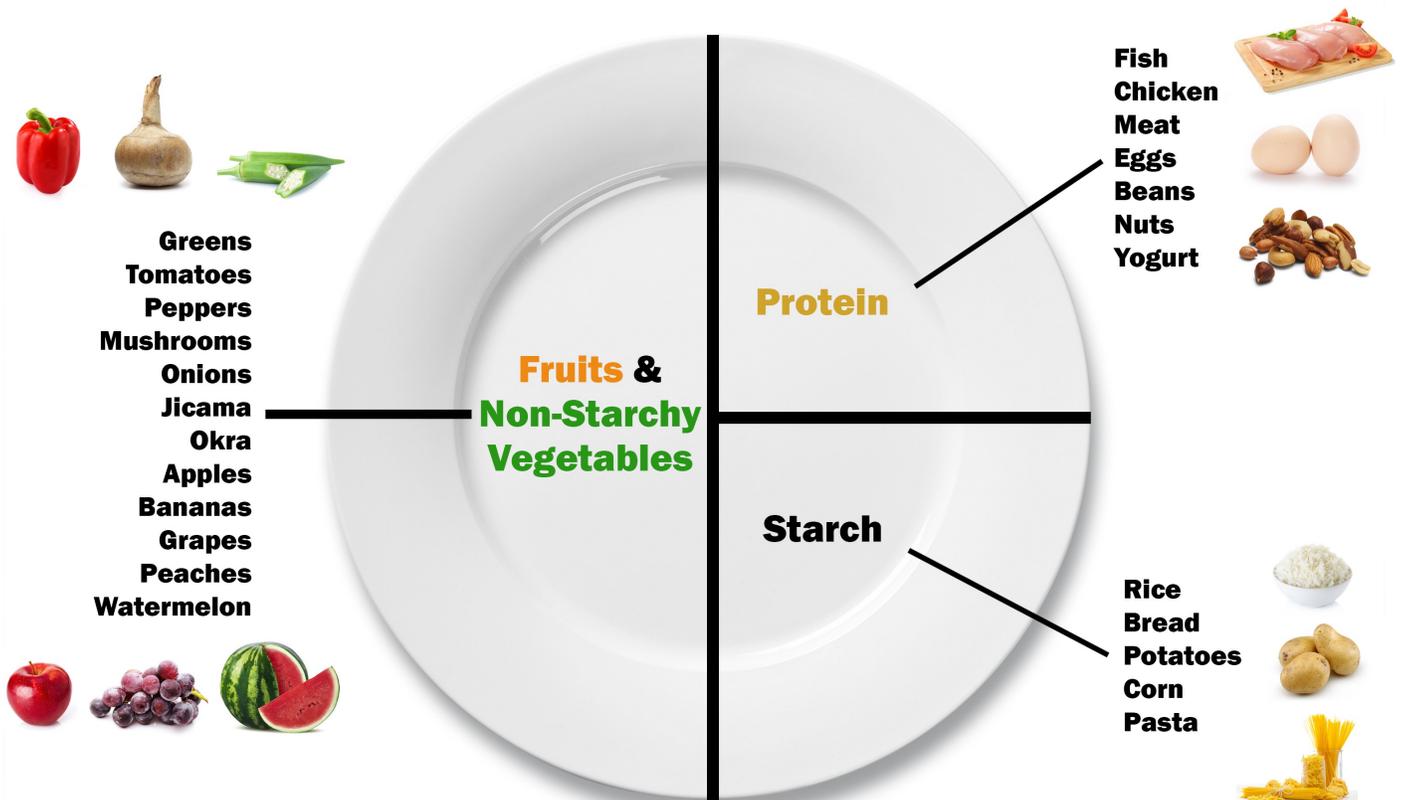
Middle of Day: _____

Evening: _____

Balance What You Eat

- Make sure protein is at every meal
 - Limit your starch
- Increase your fruits and vegetables

Balance what you eat.



Portions Can Help



Rice/Arroz

Pasta

Fruit/Frutas

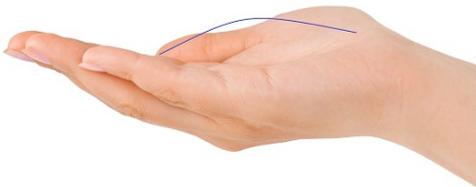
Veggies/Vegetales



Meat/Carne

Fish/Pescado

Chicken/Pollo



Nuts/Nueces

Quick Meal or Snack

How to make a quick meal or snack.

Cómo hacer una comida rápida o un bocadillo.

Protein

¼ cup nuts
Light string cheese
1-2 hardboiled eggs
1 low-fat yogurt
1-2 tbsp. nut butter
½ cup beans



Healthy Carb

Apple
Banana
2 rice cakes
2 small corn tortillas or
1 low-carb tortilla
1 cup baby carrots
1 small frozen waffle

Proteína

¼ taza nueces
Light string cheese
1-2 huevos duros
1 yogur bajo en grasa
1-2 cucharada mantequilla
de nueces
½ taza habichuelas



Carbohidratos Saludables

Manzana
Banana
2 pasteles de arroz
2 pequeñas tortillas de maíz
or 1 tortilla baja en
carbohidratos
1 taza zanahorias bebe
1 pequeño waffle congelado

Manage Sleep

When we have enough sleep, we can make better decisions about how we eat. Lack of sleep often leads to overeating, which can cause us to gain weight or have a harder time losing weight.

Aim to get 7-9 hours of sleep per night.

Try these tips if you're having trouble with sleep:

- Put away electronic devices (TV, smartphone), one hour before bedtime
 - Read a book or newspaper to slow your mind down
 - Get exercise during the day, this can help you sleep better at night
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Manage Stress

Stress can affect how we eat. Managing stress can help us eat better for our body. Try these tips to manage stress:

- Get exercise! Even 30 minutes of walking can help with stress levels
- Try a breathing exercise: close your eyes and pay attention to your breath. In your mind, count on every exhale all the way up to the number twenty
- Download the app "Mindfulness Daily" and practice the 2-3 minutes stress reduction activities
 - Be kind to yourself, focus on the next best step

Have A Recipe “Toolkit”

It can be helpful to have several balanced and healthy recipes that we enjoy as options for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. We can start by focusing on 2-3, and add more recipes as we learn!

My breakfast recipes:

1.

2.

My lunch recipes:

1.

2.

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My dinner recipes:

1.

2.

Be Active

An important part of having a healthy weight is being physically active.