

I Pledge Allegiance to My Health

This pledge can be read daily at school or at home with your family to remind you of all the ways to take care of your body!



I pledge allegiance to my health,
to not compare myself to anyone else.
With fruits and vegetables I'll fill my tray
and get nice and sweaty every day.
I have only this body and this one heart
so today's the day I'm going to start
eating less chips and less sugary drinks
and before I eat I'm going to think!



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Grapes grow on a vine.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size: ½ cup grapes (76g)	
Calories 52	Calories from Fat 0
% Daily Value	
Total Fat 0g	0%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 2mg	0%
Total Carbohydrate 14g	5%
Dietary Fiber 1g	3%
Sugars 12g	
Protein 1g	
Vitamin A 1%	Calcium 1%
Vitamin C 14%	Iron 2%
Other nutrients: Vitamin K (14%)	
Source: www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/foodcomp/search/	
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- A ½ cup of red or green grapes is a good source of vitamin K.
- Grapes are actually berries and they are made up of about 80% water.
- On average, there are over 100 grapes in a bunch.
- Grapevines need to grow two years before the first grapes are ready to harvest.
- Concord grapes are one of the only three fruits native to North America.



- Watch this video and learn about a grape farmer! <http://bit.ly/1CyP1kb>

Activity

- In the video, the farmer talks about why the Central Valley is one of the best places to grow grapes. Explain what weather conditions are needed to successfully grow grapes.

Quick and Creamy Grape Shake
<http://bit.ly/1G9VekK>



Read It Before You Eat It

You know how books have a table of contents that explains what's inside? Or maybe you have a toy that came with a diagram that identified each small piece. Nutrition labels are sort of like that. They tell you what's inside the food you're eating and list its parts.

The Nutrition Facts food label gives you information about which nutrients are in the food. Your body needs the right combination of nutrients, like vitamins, to work properly and grow. Other information on the label is given in percentages. The percent daily value (% Daily Value or % DV) on a food label tells you how this food can help someone meet these daily goals. The % Daily Value shows whether the food is a high or low source of a nutrient.

- Visit <http://bit.ly/1fEL05D> to watch a video on Nutrition Facts Labels.

How many servings are you eating?

Macaroni and Cheese

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 1 cup (228g)	
Servings Per Container 2	
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 250	Calories from Fat 110
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 12g	18%
Saturated Fat 3g	15%
Cholesterol 30mg	10%
Sodium 470mg	20%
Total Carbohydrate 31g	10%
Dietary Fiber 0g	0%
Sugars 5g	
Protein 5g	
Vitamin A 4%	Vitamin C 2%
Calcium 20%	Iron 4%

* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs:

	Calories: 2,000	2,500
Total Fat	Less than 65g	80g
Sat Fat	Less than 20g	25g
Cholesterol	Less than 300mg	300mg
Sodium	Less than 2,400mg	2,400mg
Total Carbohydrate	300g	375g
Dietary Fiber	25g	30g

Get What You Need!

Get LESS
5% or less is low
20% or more is high

Get ENOUGH
5% or less is low
20% or more is high

Scavenger Hunt!

- Think about a food you would like to analyze. Find three different types of this food and collect the Nutrition Facts labels. You can collect these in different ways like bring the labels in from home, or visit a website and print them out. This can be done as a class, in a group, or individually. Transfer the information to the blank food labels below. Using evidence from your reading and the video, decide which is the best choice for you and explain why you chose that food. Based on this information, what changes would you make, if any, to the foods you buy? Why or why not? Orally present your choice to the class or your group.

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% Daily Value	
Total Fat	%
Saturated Fat	%
Trans Fat	
Cholesterol	%
Sodium	%
Total Carbohydrate	%
Dietary Fiber	%
Sugars	
Protein	
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