How to make a HEALTHY SNACK

Whether or not you have diabetes, you probably like having a snack now and then. The goal is to choose healthy snacks. The snacks listed here may cause a small increase in blood sugar, but are *not* to be used to treat a low blood sugar problem.

To build your own snack, choose one (I) carbohydrate food and one (I) protein or healthy-fat food from each box.

Measures:

oz. = ounce tsp. = teaspoon tbsp. = tablespoon









CARBOHYDRATES (CARBS)

- I small apple
- I small sweet potato
- I small banana
- ½ cup of cooked plain oatmeal
- I small pear
- I ¼ cups of strawberries
- ¾ cup of blueberries
- 3 graham cracker squares
- 5 small whole-wheat crackers
- I slice of bread with 3 or more grams of fiber
- ³/₄ cup of unsweetened dry cereal



PROTEINS AND HEALTHY FATS

- I tbsp. of peanut butter, almonds, or cashews
- I to 2 ounces (oz.) of chicken salad
- I to 2 oz. of skinned chicken
- I to 2 oz. of low-sodium turkey
- 2 oz. of tuna
- I hard-boiled egg
- 4 oz. of low-fat cottage cheese
- I string cheese or I slice of Swiss cheese
- 10 unsalted almonds or peanuts
- ¼ avocado
- 2 tbsp. of hummus
- 8 oz. glass of low-fat milk
- 6 oz. of low-fat or fat-free yogurt

Note: Always check with your doctor or diabetes educator before you make any change in your diabetes meal plan.



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