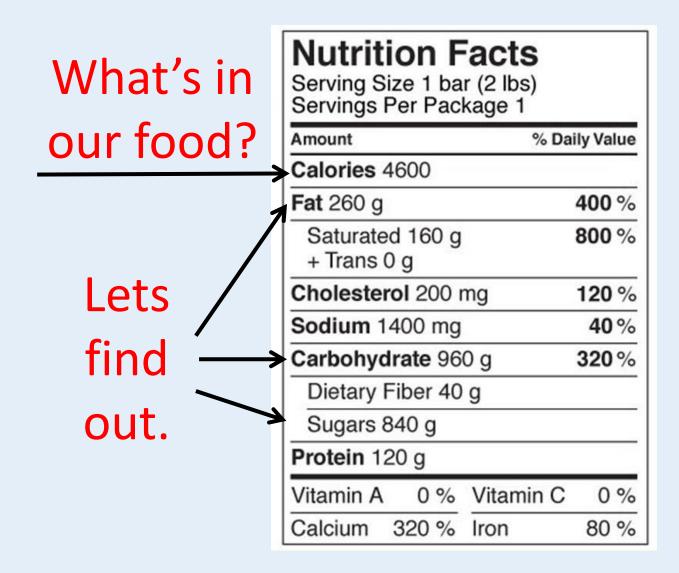
# **Dieting advice**

# PDF worksheet





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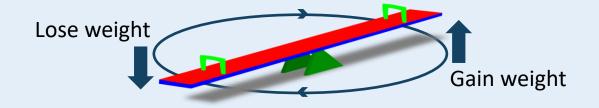
Take your time to read the story and understand what the story is about.



Next, use the vocabulary guide on page 7 to learn any new words from the story.



Then, listen to the audio as many times as you can. Listening helps your pronunciation too. Diets usually fail. That's how dieting has become a billion-dollar business. You lose weight, you stop dieting, you gain back the weight that you lost, and you start again on another diet.



Is there a better way? The answer is *yes*. And it's easy. What is it? Change the way you eat. It's different for every person, but there are some general rules.



Read **nutrition labels** before you buy anything in a package.

Practice **portion** control. Exercise and weigh yourself every day. If the number on the scale begins to **creep up**, you should walk, bike, or swim a little more. You should eat a little less for a few days.



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Eat everything you want, but eat in **moderation**. Eat many homemade meals. **Load** the meals with vegetables



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Choose calorie-controlled snacks like popcorn, graham crackers, and ice cream (really ice milk). No seconds! Reduce calories over the **long-term**. You are most likely to be successful when you decide what changes in diet to make and when. Dietary change is a slow process. It's one that requires **ongoing** attention.

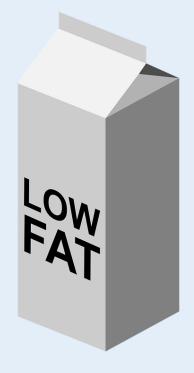


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An expert said "I do not believe in diets or any particular products. I believe in learning how to create a healthy lifestyle. The formula is simple."

- Stop eating junk,
- Eat good food that is real, not processed,
- Avoid drinking your calories,
- Know what one serving is and do not eat more than that in a sitting,
- Move your butt every day even just walking is better than being a couch potato, and
- Stop making excuses.

Watch out for package claims of "low fat" or "low **carbohydrate**." Read the facts on the nutrition label. Sugar often **compensates** for flavor. Fruit juice may be fatfree. But it is not low in calories. It contains large amounts of sugar.

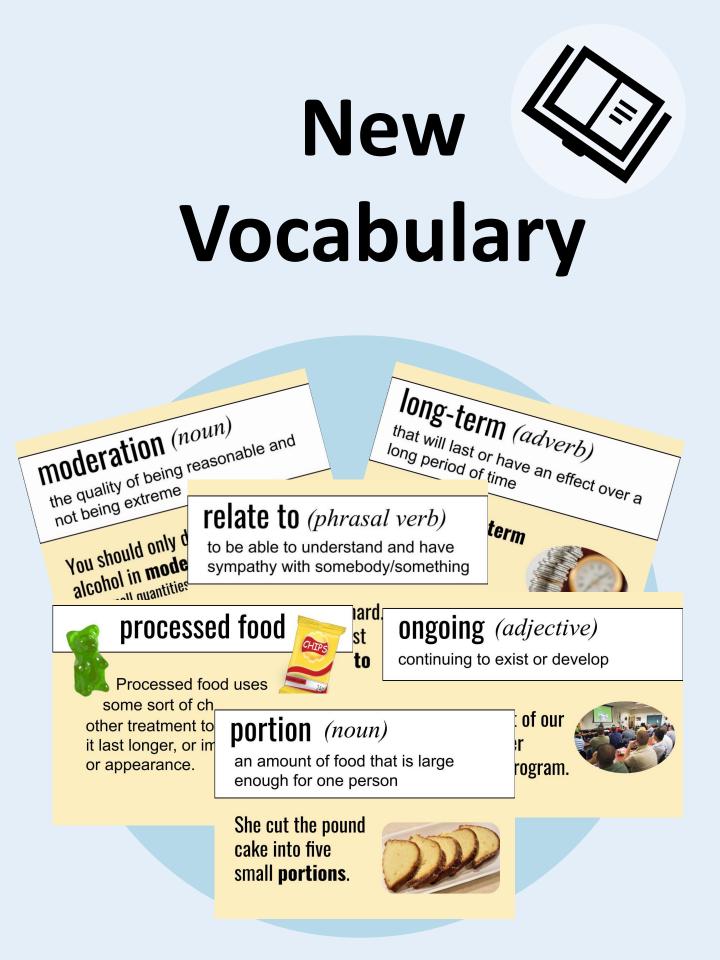


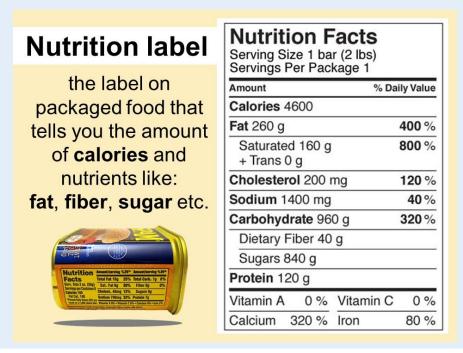


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#### portion (noun)

an amount of food that is large enough for one person

She cut the pound cake into five small **portions**.

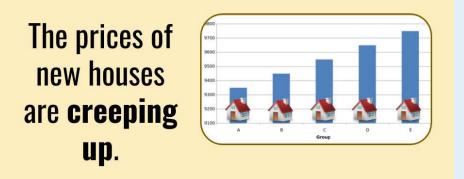


She cut the cake into 5 pieces, each piece is enough for 1 person.

Practice **portion** control.

## **Creep up** (phrasal verb)

to gradually increase in amount, price, etc.



The prices of houses are gradually increasing.

If the number on the scale begins to **creep up**, you should walk, bike, or swim a little more.

### moderation (noun)

the quality of being reasonable and not being extreme

#### You should only drink alcohol in **moderation**. (= in small quantities)



It's not good to drink too much. You should only drink a reasonable amount.

Eat everything you want, but eat in moderation.

## load (verb)

to put a large quantity of things or people onto or into something

This pizza is **loaded** with cheese!



There is a large quantity [amount] of cheese on this pizza. \*Loaded is an adjective made from the past participle of the verb load.

Eat many homemade meals. Load the meals with vegetables.

seconds (noun)

A second helping of food

That Pumpkin pie was delicious. May I have **seconds**?



This means - May I have a second piece of pie?

Choose calorie-controlled snacks... No seconds!

### long-term (adverb)

that will last or have an effect over a long period of time

# This is a **long-term** investment.



Long term investments hold your money for a long time, but you can [usually] make more money in the end.

Reduce calories over the long-term.

#### ongoing (adjective)

continuing to exist or develop

Training is part of our **ongoing** career development program.



This means - We will continue to train our staff. Dietary change is a slow process. It's one that requires **ongoing** attention.

#### processed food

Processed food uses some sort of chemical or other treatment to cook it, make it last longer, or improve its taste or appearance.

Ingredients such as salt, sugar, and fat are sometimes added to processed foods to make them taste better.

#### sitting (noun)

a time when a meal is served

One hundred people can be served at one sitting. (= at the same time)



The hotel can serve a meal to 100 people in their hall.

Know what one serving is and do not eat more than that in a **sitting**.

## carbohydrate (noun)

Carbohydrates in food give the body energy ~ informal carb(s)

#### Foods such as bread, potatoes and rice contain a lot of carbohydrates.

I'm cutting back on carbs. I need to lose some weight! Watch out for package claims of "low fat" or "low carbohydrate."

#### compensate (verb)

to provide something good to balance something not good

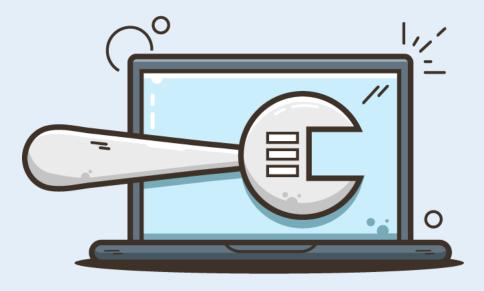
# Sugar often **compensates** for flavor.



Some foods use a lot of sugar to reduce the negative effects of processing.

Sugar often compensates for flavor.

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