4th Grade – Nutrition Unit

Food Ingredients



- Some of the healthiest foods do not come with food labels, like an apple.
- Foods in packages, must list the ingredients. Reading the ingredients is the number one way to know what is in your food.
- Product ingredients are listed by quantity from highest to lowest amount. This means that the first ingredient is what the manufacturer used the most of.
- A good rule of thumb is to scan the first three ingredients, as they make up the largest part of what you're eating.

Please watch this interesting video on food preservatives. <u>https://safeYouTube.net/w/81GF</u> (4:52min)

Review what we have learned in this Nutrition Unit: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MrdCBqFYDyo</u> (6:40min)



Here's the Challenge!

Take out a piece of paper and write down what you find. Input your data into google forms and hit submit. Here is the FORM when you are ready: <u>https://forms.gle/ECi1TGift3d2PnSA6</u>

Remember: Real food (unprocessed) will always be healthier than processed food. Processed foods usually come in packages. Let's take a looks at how to find healthier packaged foods.

Challenge #1

Packaged foods with fewer ingredients are usually healthier. Try to find 2 food labels that have 5 ingredients or less. If you can find more than 2, send them to me! 1._____ 2._____

INGREDIENTS: ORGANIC ROLLED OATS.

Challenge #2

Packaged foods with ingredients that you **understand** are probably healthier for you. Try to find 2 foods made with ingredients that you understand. *Must be different than above. If you can find more than 2, send them to me!* 1. ______ 2. _____

