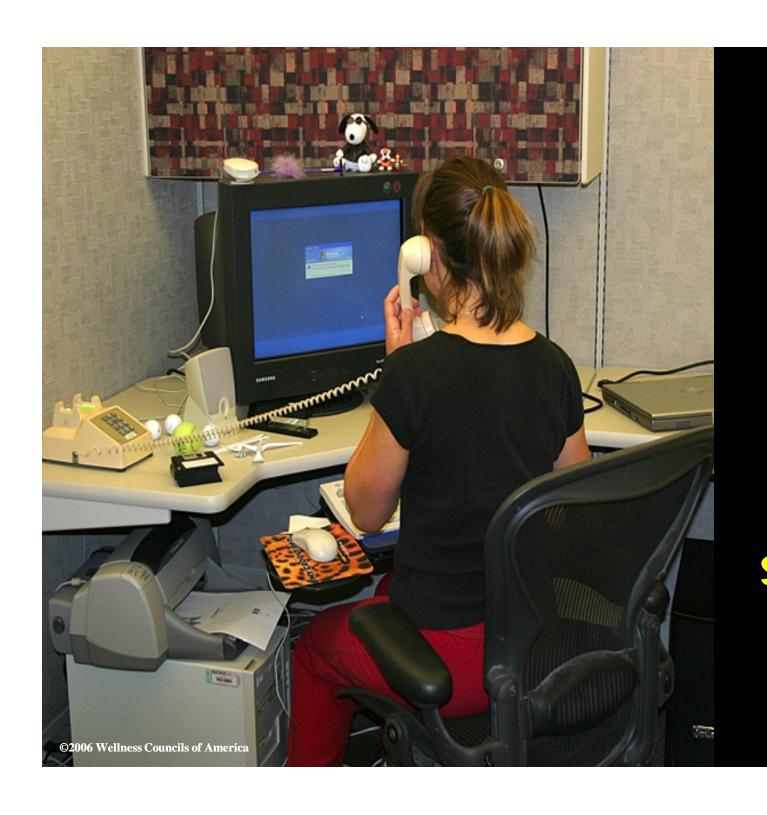


Low Stress Nutrition

Eating For A Healthy Immune System In a Stressful World

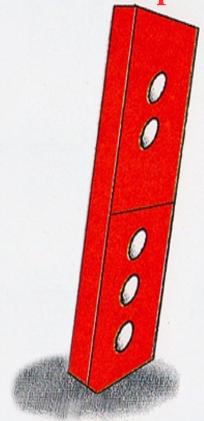
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Certain foods and eating **habits** can be serious stressors to the body

Domino #1

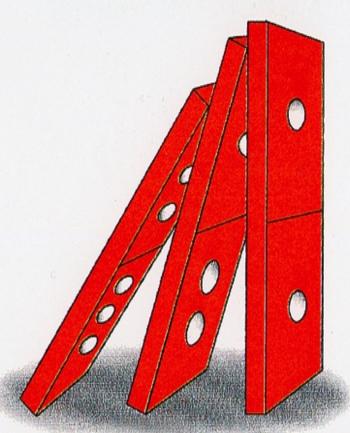
Cumulative effect of stress-prone problems



Depletion of Nutrients

Stress requires extra energy & utilizes many vital nutrients for energy production leaving us feeling fatigued

Domino #2

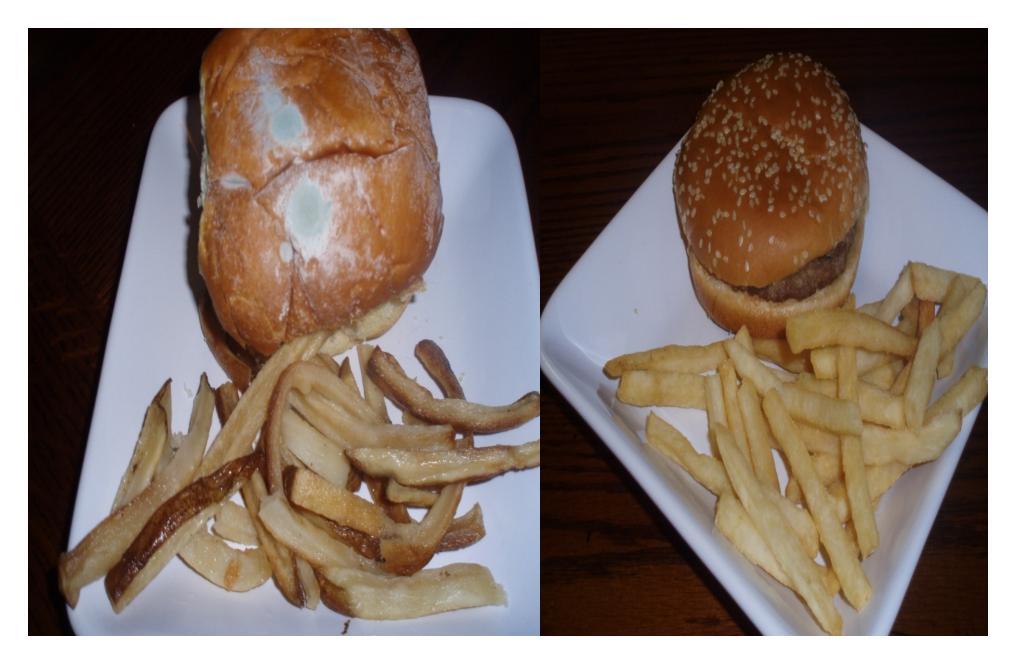


Foods That Trigger the Stress Response

Stressed people typically eat foods that promote the stress response: Salt **Caffeine Refined Sugar Processed Flour Various Synthetic Chemicals Trans Fat**







3 days later...





One Last Visual:

"Mechanically Separated Meat"



Tip 1: Avoid Rigorous Diet Torture

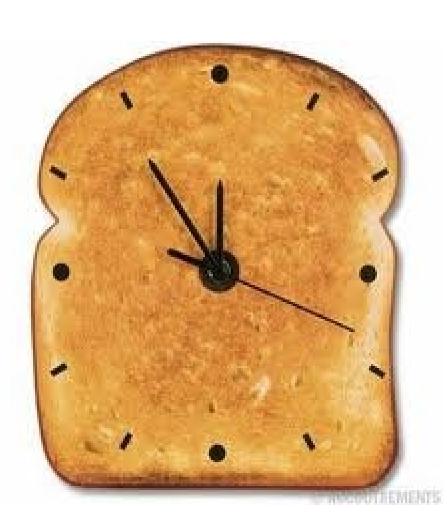


If your diet plan includes nothing but a grapefruit or cabbage soup each day, you train your metabolism to slow down.

That means, when your diet is over, you are more likely to gain weight faster than ever!

Get that metabolism moving by giving it something to work on first thing in the morning...

Tip 2: Smaller, More Frequent Intakes



- Make sure to eat 3 meals per day
- Try to space meals no more than 4 hours apart
- If meals are more than 4 hours apart – add a healthy snack between meals
 - •Remember smaller, more frequent intakes can help maintain healthy weight!

Tip 3: Healthy Snacking





People who eat several small meals and snacks a day are more likely to control hunger and manage a healthy weight.

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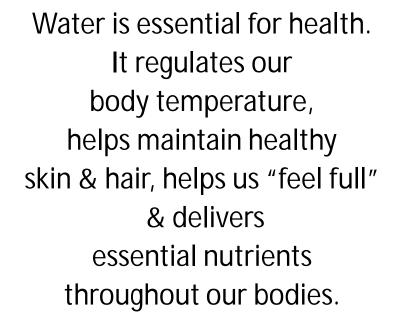
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Snacks!



Tip 4: Hydration









Aim for ½ your body weight in ounces daily

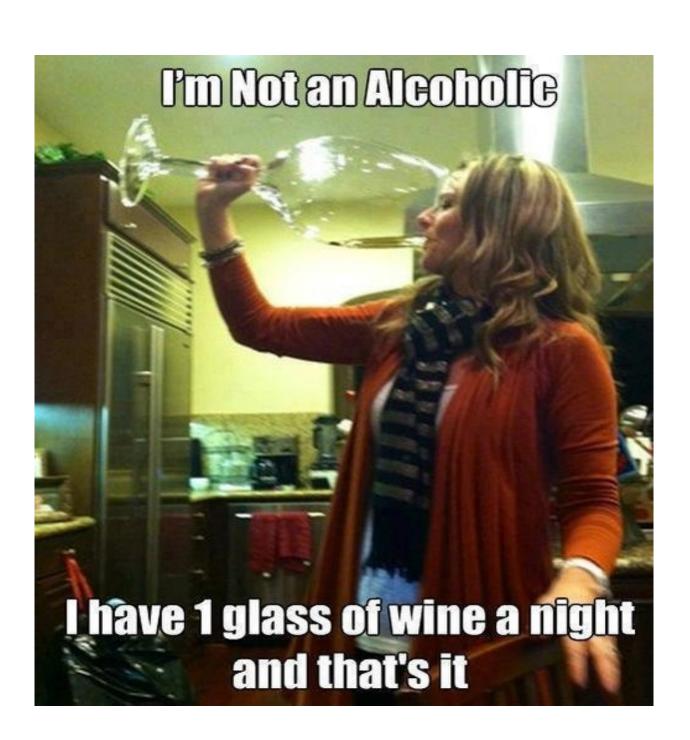
Tip 5: Watch out for "EMPTY" Fluids



Some fancy coffees and alcoholic beverages have more than 500 calories.

If you cut out just 1 soda / coffee drink daily – you would lose 22 pounds in 1 year!!!!

The 7-Eleven Double Gulp, a
64-oz soda, contains nearly
800 kcal—an amount 10 times
the size of a Coca-Cola when it
was first introduced

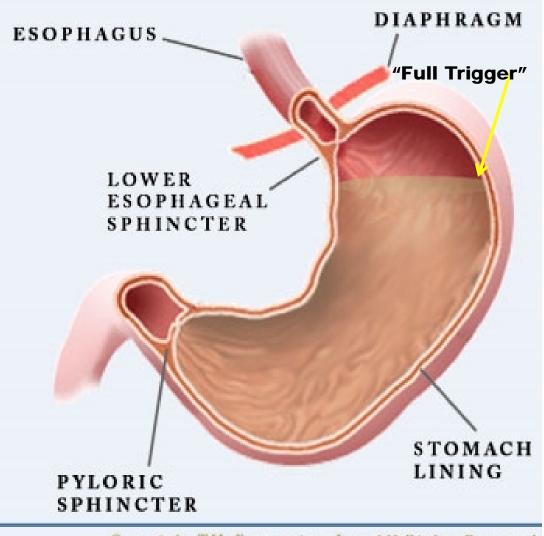




Tip #6

Reduce Your Caffeine Consumption
Caffeine causes release of epinephrine & norepinephrine -> increase HR, BP, muscle tension...

Tip 7: Increase Fiber



- Fiber expands in your stomach and fills you up on less calories
- Aids in digestion
- Helps keep cholesterol & blood sugar in check
- Reduces cancer risk
- Consume both soluble & insoluble for heart health

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Tip #8

Eat A Variety Of Food Colors "Phytonutrients" to Increase Immune Support





Tip #9

Choose Foods High In Antioxidants & Phytochemicals

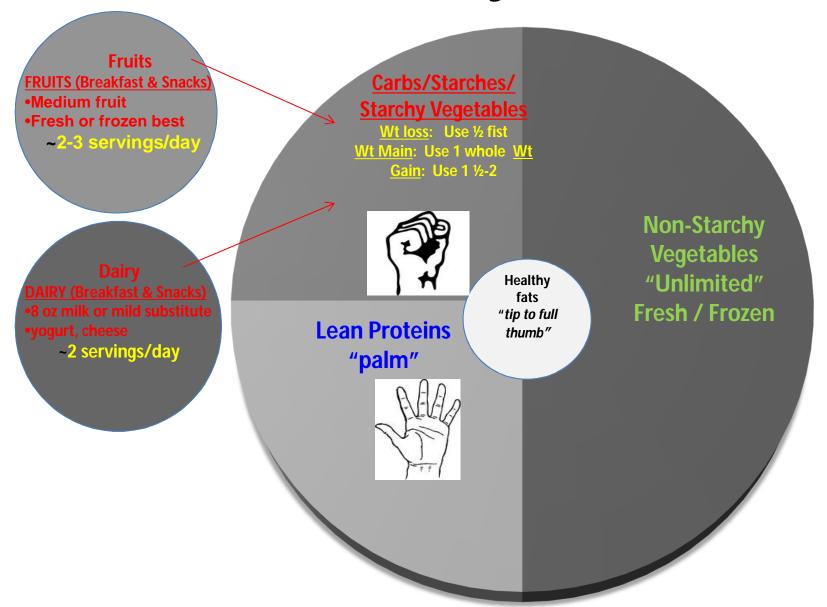
("Wild" varieties when possible)



Tip #10 Add Omega 3 Oils To Your Daily Diet "anti – inflammatory"

Wild Salmon, Cold Water Fish, Flax, Walnuts

What Does a Healthy Plate Look Like?



Healthy Day Example "weight loss portions"

7am BREAKFAST: Green Smoothie OR 1- 2 egg veggie omelet + avocado slices and 1 piece of fruit

10:30 am SNACK: small banana + 1 Tb P.B.

2pm LUNCH:

PRO: palm portion of chicken breast or salmon CHO: ½ fist of garbanzo beans / berries / Quinoa

NS VEG: unlimited - salad greens, tomato, cucumber, etc...

FAT: 2 Tb Balsamic Vinegar OR use salsa for the dressing and add avocado or seeds for the fat

5pm DINNER:

PRO: palm portion of lean beef, pork loin, chicken, fish

CHO: ½ fist of sweet potato or rice or pasta

NS VEG: unlimited – green beans, broccoli, cauliflower, etc. (broil, steam, grill, saute)

FAT: 1 Tb pesto or 1 tsp oil

7-8 pm SNACK: 2 Dove dark chocolate squares

EAT PROTEIN WITH EVERY MEAL AND SNACK!

Resources for Recipes

- <u>www.mywholefoodlife.com</u>
- <u>www.aicr.org/test-kitchen</u>
- www.whfoods.com/recipestoc.php
- http://www.eatingwell.com/recipes_menus/collections/healthy_slow_coo ker_recipes
- http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/08/crock-pot-recipes-healthyand-wonderful_n_6430506.html

