

# Human Health and Nutrition



First of all, let's recap some of the things that keep us healthy. Sort the statements in order of importance, with the most important at the top and the least important at the bottom.

Vísít the dentíst regularly.

Try a variety of sports that are fun and keep you active.

Nevereat sugary foods.

Eat an apple a day.

Eat a varied and balanced diet.

Clean your teeth at least twice a day.

Do some kind of exercise every day.

Only take medicines that are meant for you and given by a responsible adult.

Get a pet to encourage you to get more exercise.

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- My grandad eats banana sandwiches for lunch sometimes because they are easy to make and give him one of his 5 A DAY. (Ease and health.)
- My brother likes peaches. (Preference.)
- My aunty doesn't eat meat or fish because she is vegetarian. (Ethical.)
- My sister doesn't eat dairy foods because she has a lactose intolerance. (Medical.)
- My dad takes a sandwich to work for his breakfast because he doesn't have time to have breakfast at home in the morning. (Time.)
- My granny doesn't eat beef because she is a Hindu. (Religion.)

### What does the word 'diet' mean?

Write down a statement about what you or someone you know eats and why, eg.

My mum eats gluten free bread because she is allergic to gluten.

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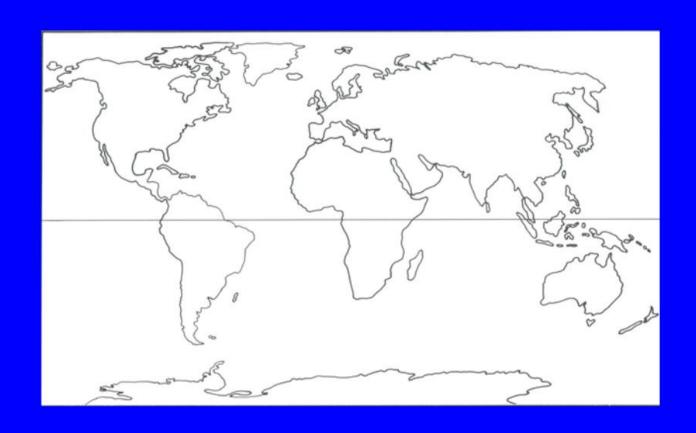
### Did you see any of these types of food?:

fruit or vegetables meat or fish dairy potatoes or food from cereals, e.g. bread, rice, pasta, noodles

What does this show us?
How could we test to see how healthy
YOUR eating habits are?!

Choose some foods and find out where they originate.

Show this on your world map.



#### HOMEWORK TASK FOR ALL:

Keep a food diary for two days for us to use next week, and bring in or send in pictures of two or more examples of food packaging with nutritional information.