OALCF Task Cover Sheet

Task Title: Understand nutritional labels to plan a healthy lunch

Food and Nutrition Tracker

• Paper/pen

Learner Name:					
Date Started: Date Completed:					
Successful Completion: Yes No					
Goal Path: Employment Apprenticeship	Secondary School Post Secondary Independence ✓				
Task Description: It's important to read and un	derstand nutritional labels in order to plan and prepare				
healthy meals. In this task, the learner will read	a selection of nutritional labels and nutritional information to				
plan a healthy lunch.					
Competency:	Task Group(s):				
A. Find and Use Information	A1: Read continuous text				
	A2: Interpret documents				
B. Communicate Ideas and Information	B3: Complete and create documents				
D. Use Digital Technology (optional)	n/a				
Level Indicators:					
A1.2: Read texts to locate and connect ideas a	and information				
A2.3: Interpret somewhat complex document	s to connect, evaluate and integrate information				
B3.2a: Use layout to determine where to make	entries in simple documents				
D.2: Perform well-defined, multi-step digital	tasks (optional)				
Performance Descriptors: see chart on last pag	e				
Materials Required:					
• A variety of food with nutritional labels	or just labels				
 A variety of other fresh/non-processed 	food with no labels				
 Access to a computer with internet 					
 Nutritional Fact Sheets 					

Instructor's Preparation: Prior to doing this activity you may want to devote some class time to reviewing Canada's Food Guide and understanding nutritional labels. One good resource is http://www.has.uwo.ca/hospitality/nutrition/pdf/foodguide.pdf which can be printed or reviewed on screen with the whole class.

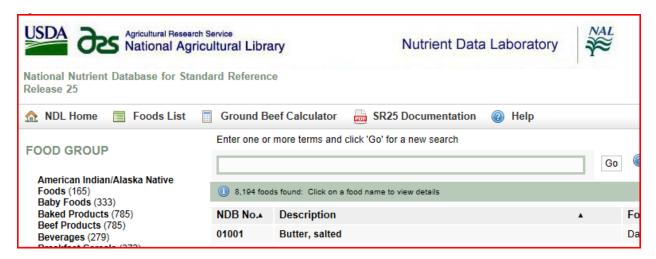
For the activity, set up an area in the classroom with a wide variety of food items with nutritional labels as well as fresh items with no labels. If space is an issue you can just have the food labels and get pictures of the food from grocery store flyers or magazines. You can have the learners bring in the food and/or labels or provide them yourself. Examples can include fresh fruit and vegetables, cookies, granola bars, nuts, crackers and cheese. Distribute the Nutritional Fact Sheets and Food and Nutrition Tracker.

Special Note: If Task 3 is too difficult based on the computer skills of your learner you can delete tasks 3, 4 and 5 and provide the nutritional information of the fresh items to your students.

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It's important to read and understand nutritional labels in order to plan and prepare healthy meals.

- **Task 1:** Read the Nutritional Fact Sheets to understand nutritional labels. Which nutrients should you get less of?
- **Task 2:** View the food with nutritional labels (or just the labels) and write the calories, fat, fibre, sugar and salt content of each item on your Food and Nutrition Tracker sheet.
- Task 3: Open the internet connection on your computer and enter the website http://ndb.nal.usda.gov/ndb/foods/list into the browser to find the Nutrient Data Laboratory. Using the search box on the screen or the food categories on the left side of the screen, locate one of the fresh items from the classroom table that doesn't have a limit to the provided the screen of the screen or the food categories on the left side of the screen, locate one of the fresh items from the classroom table that doesn't have a limit to the provided the screen or the food categories on the left side of the screen, locate one of the fresh items from the classroom table that doesn't have a limit to the provided the screen or the food categories on the left side of the screen, locate one of the fresh items from the classroom table that doesn't have a limit to the provided the screen or the food categories on the left side of the screen, locate one of the fresh items from the classroom table that doesn't have a limit to the screen or the food categories on the left side of the screen.



- **Task 4:** Once you have found the fresh item, scroll through the screen and write the calories (energy), fat, fibre, sugar and salt content of the item onto your Food and Nutrition Tracker sheet.
- **Task 5:** Repeat tasks 3 and 4 for all the fresh items on the classroom table. Exit the Nutrient Data Laboratory website when done.
- **Task 6:** Review the nutritional values of the foods you have written. Refer to the Nutrition Fact Sheets for information about understanding daily value %. Highlight or circle four items on your Food and Nutrition Tracker that you would pick for your healthy lunch.

Take 5 to read the facts

Got 5 minutes? Follow these 5 easy steps to read the Nutrition Facts table.

1 Serving size

If you eat the serving size shown on the Nutrition Facts table, you will get the amount of Calories and nutrients that are listed. Always compare the serving size on the package to the amount that you eat.

(2) Calories

Calories tell you how much energy you get from one serving of a packaged food.

(3) Percent Daily Value (% Daily Value)

% Datly Value puts nutrients on a scale from 0% to 100%. This scale tells you if there is a *little* or a *lot* of a nutrient in one serving of a packaged food.

4) Get less of these nutrients:

- Fat, saturated fat and trans fat.
- Cholesterol
- Sodtum

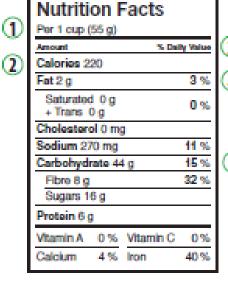
Choose packaged foods with a low % Daily Value of fat and sodium, especially if you are at risk for heart disease or diabetes.

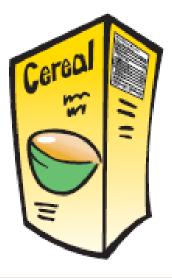


(5) Get more of these nutrients:

- Fibre.
- Vitamin A and Vitamin C
- Calctum
- Iron

Choose packaged foods with a bigb % Daily Value of these nutrients. If you have diabetes, watch how much carbohydrate you eat as this will affect your blood glucose levels.







Using percent Daily Value (% Daily Value)

Use % Daily Value to find out if there is a little or a lot of a nutrient in one serving of a packaged food.

What is % Daily Value?

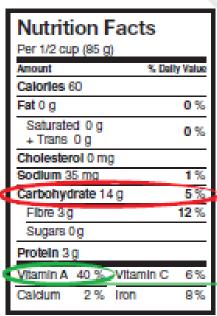
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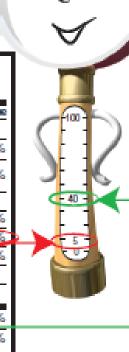


What is a little and what is a lot?

Let's look at the % Daily Value on the Nutrition Facts table for this package of vegetables:

- One serving has 5% Daily Value for carbohydrate.
 This is a little because it is low on the scale.
- One serving has 40% Daily Value for Vitamin A.
 This is a lot because it is bigb on the scale.







Make healthy food choices by using % Daily Value.

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Food	Calories (energy)	Fat	Fibre	Sugar	Salt

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Instructor (print)

	Performance Descriptors	Needs Work	Completes task with support from practitioner	Completes task independently
A1.2	scans text to locate information			
	locates multiple pieces of information in simple texts			
	 follows the main events of descriptive, narrative and informational texts 			
A2.3	performs complex searches using multiple search criteria			
	 manages unfamiliar elements (e.g. vocabulary, context, topic) to complete tasks 			
	integrates several pieces of information from documents			
	• compares or contrasts information between two or more documents			
	uses layout to locate information			
	identifies the purpose and relevance of documents			
	 makes inferences and draws conclusions from information displays 			
	identifies sources, evaluates and integrates information			
B3.2a	uses layout to determine where to make entries			
	• begins to make some inferences to decide what information is needed, where and how to enter the information			
D.2	selects and follows appropriate steps to complete tasks			
	makes low-level inferences to interpret icons and text			
This task	: was successfully completed needs to be tried a	gain		
Learner	Comments			

Learner Signature