

## Making a Menu

Check out these ideas for a week of healthy GO foods.

- Buy fruits and vegetables that are in season: they have a fresh, ripe flavor and are lower in cost.
- Make healthy vegetable soups in bulk for quick lunch or dinner meals.
- Use leftovers for other meals to save time and money.

## **LEAN & SPEEDY SUPPERS**

Lean meats, poultry, and fish (like boneless, skinless chicken breasts or fish filets) are simple to prepare:

- Wrap fish in foil, sprinkle with lemon juice and seasonings, then bake at 350°F for about 15 minutes.
- Bake chicken breasts for about an hour after adding 2-3 tablespoons water to a baking dish and a sprinkle of your favorite spices.
- Toss some chopped vegetables, like squash, sweet potato, asparagus, or cauliflower, onto a baking sheet to roast in the oven at the same time.

## THE RULES OF REFRIGERATION

- Leftovers need to be refrigerated within 2 hours of when they were served.
- Remember to refrigerate foods containing meats, dairy products, or prepared vegetables.
- Uncut fresh vegetables, like squash and tomatoes, do not need to be refrigerated.

## SEVEN DAYS OF DELICIOUS

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BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER
½ cup oatmeal with slices of apple, banana, and a sprinkle of cinnamon  1 cup skim or 1% milk	1 slice whole-grain toast with 1 tablespoon peanut or sunflower seed butter Carrot sticks and hummus Fresh apple	Baked fish fillet Roasted acorn squash  smoky greens  Frozen banana ice cream
Breakfast taco: 1 egg, salsa, and 1 <mark>whole-wheat tortilla</mark> Orange wedges	Orange Smoothie: frozen chopped mango, peaches and banana; 2 whole carrots; ½ cup low-fat milk 6 whole-grain crackers Broccoli "trees"	bell pepper bowls  Popcorn cauliflower: chopped cauliflower pieces roasted with pinch of salt and 1 tsp olive oil  Fruit and low-fat or fat-free yogurt
Whole-grain toast 1 tablespoon peanut or sunflower seed butter Sliced bananas	Spinach wrap: whole-wheat tortilla, 1 part-skim string cheese, and fresh spinach Cherry tomatoes Fresh melon, like cantaloupe	sneaky veggie soup Cornbread or any whole- grain bread Microwaved peach slices with cinnamon
1 cup low-fat or fat-free yogurt Sliced strawberries  1/4 cup granola or whole-grain cereal	Tomato soup 1 slice whole-grain toast Fresh bell pepper rings Peach slices 1 cup skim or 1% milk	Grilled kabobs: bell pepper, zucchini, onion, mushroom, and chicken (optional) Baked sweet potato Frozen yogurt sundae
1 cup whole-grain cereal 1 cup skim or 1% milk Fruit (banana, pear, plum)	Turkey sandwich: whole-grain bread, sliced turkey, fresh spinach Celery sticks Raisins	turkey veggie chili Citrus spinach salad: avocado, orange, red onion, nuts or seeds Whole-wheat toast Fruit salad
Smoothie: 2 cups frozen pineapple, 1 banana, some plain yogurt, splash of low-fat milk 1 hard-boiled egg	½ cup brown rice with salsa Pinto beans Cherry tomatoes and avocado Fresh mango or papaya 1 cup skim or 1% milk	Veggie wrap: whole-wheat tortilla and diced veggies Microwave-steamed broccoli carrot cupcakes
rainbow omelet 1 slice whole-grain toast 1 cup skim or 1% milk	<mark>brown spanish rice</mark> Sliced cucumber Fresh or frozen grapes	Chicken sandwich: grilled or baked chicken, spinach, and tomato on whole-wheat bun Roasted asparagus "fries" Baked apples