

# Eating Alone and Loving It

Eating alone doesn't mean you have to sacrifice good nutrition and tasty food. Planning can make your meals pleasant and healthy.

- Take time to plan at least a week's menus
  - Once several weeks' menus are written- reuse
  - Shop with a list when you are not hungry
- Divide and Conquer
  - Make recipes in large amounts and freeze in small labeled containers
  - Reduce amounts of ingredients in recipes to make fewer servings
- For Each Meal, Plan
  - ✓ 1 serving of milk
  - ✓ 1 serving of protein food
  - $\checkmark$  at least 1 grain or bread
  - ✓ at least 1-2 servings of fruit and vegetables
- Limit Fatty Foods and Foods High in Added Sugar
  - ► Fry seldom
  - Use fruit for dessert
  - Use a little diet margarine or oil to season if needed
  - Use reduced fat or non-fat dairy foods
- Look for Unit Pricing
  - Label or sign on the shelf that shows price per ounce or item
  - Do own calculation if not done by store

### **Unit Price**

Product Price Divided by Number of ounces or items in package

### Shop and Store Smart

#### **Breads**

Store in freezer
Thaw on counter, microwave or toaster





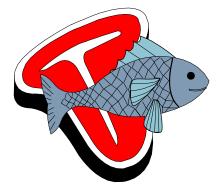
#### **Vegetables and Fruits**

- ♦ Buy fresh in small amounts
- ✤ Buy larger bags of frozen

Buy canned on sale - store up to one year

#### Meat, Poultry and Fish

Buy meat and poultry in larger packages on sale
Wrap individually in plastic wrap
Store in labeled one gallon freezer bag
Eat fresh fish the day purchased or store on ice



for 24 hours or freeze

## Dairy and Eggs

Buy in small quantities

✤ Keep well covered in refrigerator

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