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- 1. Walk to work.
- 2. Use fat free milk over whole milk.
- 3. Do sit-ups in front of the TV.
- 4. Walk during lunch hour.
- 5. Drink water before a meal.
- 6. Eat leaner red meat & poultry.
- 7. Eat half your dessert.
- 8. Walk instead of driving whenever you can.
- 9. Take family walk after dinner.
- 10. Skate to work instead of driving.
- 11. Avoid food portions larger than your fist.
- 12. Mow lawn with push mower.
- 13. Increase the fiber in your diet.
- 14. Walk to your place of worship instead of driving.
- 15. Walk kids to school.
- 16. Get a dog and walk it.
- 17. Join an exercise group.
- 18. Drink diet soda.
- 19. Replace Sunday drive with Sunday walk.
- 20. Do yard work.
- 21. Eat off smaller plates.
- 22. Get off a stop early & walk.
- 23. Don't eat late at night.
- 24. Skip seconds.
- 25. Work around the house.
- 26. Skip buffets.
- 27. Grill, steam or bake instead of frying.
- 28. Bicycle to the store instead of driving.
- 29. Take dog to the park.
- 30. Ask your doctor about taking a multi-vitamin.
- 31. Go for a half-hour walk instead of watching TV.
- 32. Use vegetable oils over solid fats.
- 33. More carrots, less cake.
- 34. Fetch the newspaper yourself.
- 35. Sit up straight at work.
- 36. Wash the car by hand.
- 37. Don't skip meals.
- 38. Eat more celery sticks.
- 39. Run when running errands.

- 40. Pace the sidelines at kids' athletic games.
- 41. Take wheels off luggage.
- 42. Choose an activity that fits into your daily life.
- 43. Try your burger with just lettuce, tomato, and onion.
- 44. Ask a friend to exercise with you.
- 45. Make time in your day for physical activity.
- 46. Exercise with a video if the weather is bad.
- 47. Bike to the barbershop or beauty salon instead of driving.
- 48. Keep to a regular eating schedule.
- 49. If you find it difficult to be active after work, try it before work.
- 50. Take a walk or do desk exercises instead of a cigarette or coffee break.
- 51. Perform gardening or home repair activities.
- 52. Avoid laborsaving devices.
- 53. Take small trips on foot to get your body moving.
- 54. Play with your kids 30 minutes a day.
- 55. Dance to music.
- 56. Keep a pair of comfortable walking or running shoes in your car and office.
- 57. Make a Saturday morning walk a group habit.
- 58. Walk briskly in the mall.
- 59. Choose activities you enjoy & you'll be more likely to stick with them.
- 60. Stretch before bed to give you more energy when you wake.
- 61. Take the long way to the water cooler.
- 62. Explore new physical activities.
- 63. Vary your activities, for interest and to broaden the range of benefits.
- 64. Reward and acknowledge your efforts.
- 65. Choose fruit for dessert.
- 66. Consume alcoholic beverages in moderation, if at all.
- 67. Take stairs instead of the escalator.
- 68. Conduct an inventory of your meal/snack and physical activity patterns.
- 69. Share an entree with a friend.
- 70. Grill fruits or vegetables.
- 71. Before going back for seconds, wait 10 or 15 minutes. You might not want seconds after all.
- 72. Choose a checkout line without a candy display.
- 73. Make a grocery list before you shop.
- 74. Buy 100% fruit juices over soda and sugary drinks.

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- 75. Stay active in winter. Play with your kids.
- 76. Flavor foods with herbs, spices, and other low fat seasonings.
- 77. Remove skin from poultry before cooking to lower fat content.
- 78. Eat before you get too hungry.
- 79. Don't skip breakfast.
- 80. Stop eating when you are full.
- 81. Try brown rice or whole-wheat pasta.
- 82. Try smaller sized items when snacking or eating out.
- 83. Snack on fruits and vegetables.
- 84. Include several servings of whole grain food daily.
- 85. When eating out, choose a small or medium portion.
- 86. If main dishes are too big, choose an appetizer or a side dish instead.
- 87. Ask for salad dressing "on the side".
- 88. Don't take seconds.
- 89. Park farther from destination and walk.
- 90. Try a green salad instead of fries.
- 91. Bake or broil fish.
- 92. Walk instead of sitting around.
- 93. Eat sweet foods in small amounts.
- 94. Take your dog on longer walks.
- 95. Drink lots of water.
- 96. Cut back on added fats or oils in cooking or spreads.
- 97. Walk the beach instead of sunbathing.
- 98. Walk to a co-worker's desk instead of emailing or calling them.
- 99. Carry your groceries instead of pushing a cart.
- 100. Use a snow shovel instead of a snow blower.
- 101. Cut high-calorie foods like cheese and chocolate into smaller pieces and only eat a few pieces.
- 102. Use nonfat or low-fat sour cream, mayo, sauces, dressings, and other condiments.
- 103. Replace sugar sweetened beverages with water and add a twist of lemon or lime.
- 104. Replace high-saturated fat/high calorie seasonings with herbs grown in a small herb garden in your kitchen window.
- 105. Refrigerate prepared soups before you eat them. As the soup cools, the fat will rise to the top. Skim it off the surface for reduced fat content.
- 106. When eating out, ask your server to put half your entrée in a to-go bag.

- 107. Substitute vegetables for other ingredients in your sandwich.
- 108. Every time you eat a meal, sit down, chew slowly, and pay attention to flavors and textures.
- 109. Try a new fruit or vegetable (ever had jicama, plantain, bok choy, starfruit or papaya?)
- 110. Make up a batch of brownies with applesauce instead of oil or shortening.
- 111. Instead of eating out, bring a healthy, low calorie lunch to work.
- 112. Ask your sweetie to bring you fruit or flowers instead of chocolate.
- 113. Speak up for the salad bar when your coworkers are picking a restaurant for lunch, and remember calories count, so pay attention to how much and what you eat.
- 114. When walking, go up the hills instead of around them.
- 115. Walk briskly through the mall and shop 'til you drop ... pounds.
- 116. Clean your closet and donate clothes that are too big.
- 117. Take your body measurements to gauge progress.
- 118. Buy a set of hand weights and play a round of Simon Says with your kids you do it with the weights, they do without.
- 119. Swim with your kids.
- 120. The smaller your plate, the smaller your portion. Eat your meals at home on a smaller plate.
- 121. Eat before grocery shopping.
- 122. Portion out your snack on a plate, not from the bag, to stay aware of how much you're eating.
- 123. Buy or portion out treats and snacks in small bags or packages.
- 124. Top your favorite cereal with apples or bananas.
- 125. Store especially tempting foods, like cookies, chips, or ice cream, out of immediate eyesight, like on a high shelf or at the back of a freezer.
- 126. When buying in bulk, store the excess in a place that's not convenient to get to, such as a high cabinet or at the back of a pantry.
- 127. When you order fast food, take it home and put it on a plate. If you're surprised at how full the plate looks, order smaller sizes next time.
- 128. Try fast food options such as smaller burgers, grilled chicken sandwiches or salads with low-calorie dressings, cups or bags of fresh fruit, low-fat milk, 100% fruit juice and bottled water.
- 129. At sandwich shops, ask for leaner cuts and smaller amounts of roast beef, turkey, or ham; extra lettuce and tomato; and whole-wheat, oatmeal, or rye bread.

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- 130. Make half your grains whole. Make your sandwich on 100% whole wheat or oatmeal bread.
- 130. Snack on popcorn or whole grain crackers.
- 131. Get a whole grain head start with oatmeal or whole grain cereal in the morning.
- 132. Use whole grains in mixed dishes such as barley in vegetable soups or stews, bulgur in casseroles, or brown rice in stir fries.
- 133. Vary your veggies it's easy to go dark green. Add frozen chopped spinach, collard greens, or turnip greens into a pot of soup.
- 134. Swap your usual sandwich side for crunchy broccoli florettes or red pepper strips.
- 135. Microwave a sweet potato for a delicious side dish.
- 136. Focus on fruits. Bag some fruit for your morning commute. Toss in an apple to munch with lunch and some raisins to satisfy you at snack time.
- 137. Never be fruitless! Stock up on peaches, pears, and apricots canned in fruit juice or frozen so they're always on hand
- 138. Get your calcium-rich foods. Use fat-free or low-fat milk instead of water when you make oatmeal, hot cereals, or condensed cream soups, such as cream of tomato.
- 139. Snack on low-fat or fat-free yogurt. Try it as a dip for fruits and veggies and a topper for baked potatoes.
- 140. Order your latte or hot chocolate with fat-free (skim) milk.
- 141. Go lean with protein. Eat lean or low fat meat, chicken, turkey, and fish. Try dry beans and peas as your lean protein.
- 142. Trim visible fat from meat and remove skin from poultry.
- 143. Broil, grill, roast, or poach meal, poultry or fish instead of frying.
- 144. Enjoy pinto or kidney beans on a salad or a hearty split pea or lentil soup for extra protein and fiber.
- 145. Toss salad with salad olive oil and flavored vinegar.
- 146. Try thin slices of avocado on a sandwich or sprinkle some nuts on a salad.
- 147. Know your fats. Use some vegetable oil instead of butter for cooking and baking.
- 148. Don't sugarcoat it. Choose foods and beverages that do not have sugar and caloric sweeteners as one of the first ingredients.
- 149. Be realistic. Make small changes over time in what you eat and the level of physical activity you do. Small steps often work better than giant leaps.

- 150. Be adventurous. Expand your tastes to enjoy a variety of foods and physical activities.
- 151. Be flexible. You don't need to worry about just one meal or one day. Find your right balance between what you eat and the physical activity you do over several days.
- 152. Be sensible. Enjoy the foods you eat, just don't overdo it.
- 153. Try a main dish salad for lunch. Go light on the salad dressing.
- 154. Keep a bowl of cut-up vegetables in the refrigerator for snacks. Carrot and celery sticks are traditional, but consider broccoli, cucumbers, or pepper strips.
- 155. Plan some meals around a vegetable main dish, such as a stir-fry or soup. Then add other foods to complement it.
- 156. Stock up on frozen vegetables for quick and easy cooking in the microwave.
- 157. Grill vegetable kabobs as part of a barbecue meal. Try tomatoes, green peppers, and onions.
- 159. Have fruit for dessert, such as baked apples, pears, or a fruit salad
- 160. Drink water or club soda-zest it up with a wedge of lemon or lime.
- 161. Choose low or reduced sodium, or no-salt-added versions of foods and condiments when available.
- 162. Lower the sodium. Rinse canned foods, such as tuna and canned beans, to remove some of the sodium.
- 163. Use spices instead of salt. Start by cutting salt in half.
- 165. Add vegetables like bell peppers, broccoli, spinach, mushrooms or tomatoes to your egg or egg white omelet.
- 166. Look for fruit without added sugar or syrups and vegetables without added salt, butter, or cream sauces.
- 167. Ask for more vegetable toppings (like mushrooms, peppers, and onions) and less cheese on your pizza.
- 168. Add lettuce, tomato, onion, and cucumber to sandwiches.
- 169. Try eating at least 2 vegetables with dinner.
- 170. You can break up your physical activity into 10-15 minute sessions throughout the day-it's the daily total that matters. Aim for at least 30 minutes for adults, 60 minutes for children.
- 171. Be active--Walk the dog, don't just watch the dog walk.