

Activity 1

Life-Span Nutrition

The ABCs of Athlete Nutrition

Purpose: To review sound advice related to nutrition for athletes.

Directions: In the space provided to the left of each number, write the term or terms that correctly complete each statement. Each guideline is related to preparing for an athletic event.

- _____ 1. **A**thletes should choose food that is low in fat and protein and high in ___?___ for their pregame meals.
- _____ 2. **B**e sure to eat ___?___ hours before the event, to allow for proper digestion.
- _____ 3. **C**hoose foods high in complex carbohydrates for pre-event meals. ___?___ and ___?___ take much longer to digest.
- _____ 4. **D** ___?___ can result when the body lacks adequate fluids during a strenuous workout.
- _____ 5. **E**ating excess amounts of ___?___ from food or supplements does no good and can also be harmful.
- _____ 6. **F**orget ___?___ foods. They can cause a sudden rise and fall in blood sugar levels.
- _____ 7. **G**et your nutrients, including salt, potassium, and other minerals, from well-chosen meals and snacks. Avoid ___?___ drinks because they draw fluids from the body.
- _____ 8. **H**ave sports ___?___ on hand that contain carbohydrates and electrolytes for any event that lasts longer than 90 minutes.
- _____ 9. **I**nclude at least ___?___ cups of fluids with your pre-event meal.
- _____ 10. **J**ump on the scales before and after the event to find out how much water you need to replace. Drink ___?___ cups for every pound (500 g) of weight lost.
- _____ 11. **K**eep your pre-event meal based on foods that are high in complex carbohydrates. Eating three to four hours before the event allows time for foods to be ___?___ properly.
- _____ 12. **L**end a hand if you see someone suffering from heat stroke or heat ___?___, which require immediate medical attention.
- _____ 13. **M**ost of an athlete's nutritional needs can be met by following the recommendations in the ___?___.

Activity 2

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Nutrition During Pregnancy

Purpose: Describe the nutrition needs during pregnancy and lactation.

Direction: In the space provided to the left of each number, write the word or words that correctly complete each statement.

- _____ 1. The unborn baby is called a(n) ___?___.
- _____ 2. The fetus ___?___ control the kinds and amounts of nutrients it receives.
- _____ 3. The ___?___ alone is responsible for supplying nutrition for the fetus through proper food choices.
- _____ 4. A woman usually doesn't learn she is ___?___ until a month or more into the pregnancy.
- _____ 5. Even if a woman doesn't know she is pregnant, she is still the ___?___'s only source of nourishment.
- _____ 6. Pregnancy is not the time for ___?___ - ___?___ diets.
- _____ 7. Poor nutrition increases the chance that the baby will have a low ___?___ ___?___.
- _____ 8. Most teens are ___?___ immature, and are more likely to have difficult pregnancies.
- _____ 9. As soon as a woman learns she is pregnant, she should see a(n) ___?___.
- _____ 10. The need of ___?___ foods during pregnancy increases three to four amounts of food per day.
- _____ 11. ___?___ needs double during pregnancy.
- _____ 12. Caffeine should be consumed in ___?___ ___?___.
- _____ 13. Women should expect to gain around ___?___ to ___?___ pounds, as much as ___?___ pounds for twins.
- _____ 14. Healthy women only need to increase their intake by ___?___ calories.
- _____ 15. Development in this ___?___ period depends on getting the right nutrients.