FUZZY MATH.

Your body needs fat, and unsaturated fats can actually be good for you. But not trans fat --Doctors say we should try not to eat any trans fat at all. But if a food serving has less than .5 grams of trans fat, the label can CLAIM the food has zero grams. And if you eat 4 or 5 servings of chips or crackers

or pastry or some other food that may contain hidden trans fat, suddenly you're eating 3 or 5 or 10 grams of a



substance that you should avoid altogether! Indeed, Americans eat an average of nearly 6 grams of trans fat a day, much of it from products that can claim to have "O trans fat." Want to be sure you're not getting ANY trans fat? Look at the fine print below the label. If the ingredients list any kind of "partially hydrogenated" oil or vegetable shortening, then the

food definitely contains trans fat. And avoid fast food and deep-fried restaurant food, too – these foods don't have labels, but many are cooked in oil that contains trans fat.



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HELPING YOUR WHOLE FAMILY FEEL WELL AND DO WELL!

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EAT BETTER

Try lots of different fruits, veggies, and whole grains for a healthy diet. You're bound to find a few you really like!



Whole wheat bread is one of the healthiest everyday choices you can make! It has more flavor than white bread, and it's loaded with natural



fiber and nutrients. To get all of these great benefits, make sure it says "100% whole wheat"!

EARN EASIER

Most kids who do well in school don't just read what their teachers assign for homework – they also like to read for fun. Ask a librarian or teacher to recommend a book to give your child as a gift this holiday season.

PLAY HARDER

Skating is a fantastic winter outdoor activity in colder parts of the U.S. Live in a warmer climate? Find an indoor skating rink or get outside and try rollerblading!





You can find a lot of information by reading the nutrition label on packaged foods. But not all foods come in a package that contains a label. Some come in a peel . . . or a bunch . . . or even a skin! In fact, many of the healthiest foods are so-called "whole foods" that don't have any ingredients at all - they come just the way nature made them. And many of the most nutritious and tastiest whole foods are found in the produce aisle at the grocery store or at the farmer's market - fresh fruits and vegetables. Eat more of these and you can't go wrong!



Ever notice all of the food images we use to describe the games we play? The batter steps up to "the plate." The tennis player "serves" an ace. The basketball guard "dishes off" a "perfect feed" for the easy lay-up underneath. You have to be "hungry" to win. Actually, that last one has it backwards. Because the surest way to do poorly in sports or in school is to play without the proper feed. Kids who regularly eat balanced, nutritious meals play harder and learn better. That's why we're here for our students. Convenient, economical, healthy School Meals. The perfect assist for good education!



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