## What are the key parts of a healthy diet?

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## **Complete this task:**

# Write down the seven major nutrients.





## **Complete this task:**

# Write down the definition of a balanced diet.



## **Answer these questions:**

# 1. What is a diet?

- 2. What is a balanced diet?
- 3. What 7 nutrients do humans need to eat?





## **Answers:**

- 1. Diet is the food and drink that a person consumes.
- 2. A balanced diet is eating the right types of food in the right amounts so that the body gets the nutrients it needs.
- 3. The seven essential nutrients are: carbohydrates, protein, fat, minerals, vitamins, fibre and water.





# Copy this table into your notes in preparation for the rest of our lesson:

Nutrient	Found in	Role
Carbohydrate		
Fibre		
Protein		
Fat		
Minerals		
Vitamins		
Water		



## **Answer these questions:**

1. What is the role of protein in the body? 2. Why is some fat in the diet important? 3. Name a mineral and its role in your diet.





## **Answers:**

- 1. Proteins are responsible for growth and repair.
- 2. Fat is important in our diet as it provides a store of energy, protects organs and keeps us warm.
- 3. An example of a mineral is calcium. Calcium is needed for the growth of healthy teeth and bones.



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## Activity:

Design a menu for yourself which you think would incorporate a nice mix of foods and would therefore fit the definition of a balanced diet.

