# Beyond Boundaries: ECALA's Collective Kitchens

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Learning Objectives:

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### Who is in the room



 Have you ever done cooking sessions or community kitchen?

- Share information on your learning spaces. For example:
  - English language, numeracy or digital classes
- What are you hoping to learn from this session?



### Overview

- Small group of participants
- Great way to develop skills
- Peer-to-peer learning
- Learner-centered practice

## Linking Collective Kitchens to Skill Building

- Oral communication
- Personal and interpersonal
- Decision-making and problem-solving
- Creative thinking
- Collaboration



**Skills for Success** 

### Life Skills

Making healthy choices

Changing habits and behaviors

Informed choices

Saving money

Health benefits

# Numeracy and Financial Literacy



Kitchen Math



**Portions** 



Stretch A Dollar



Understand Money



Price Rounding

### Activities

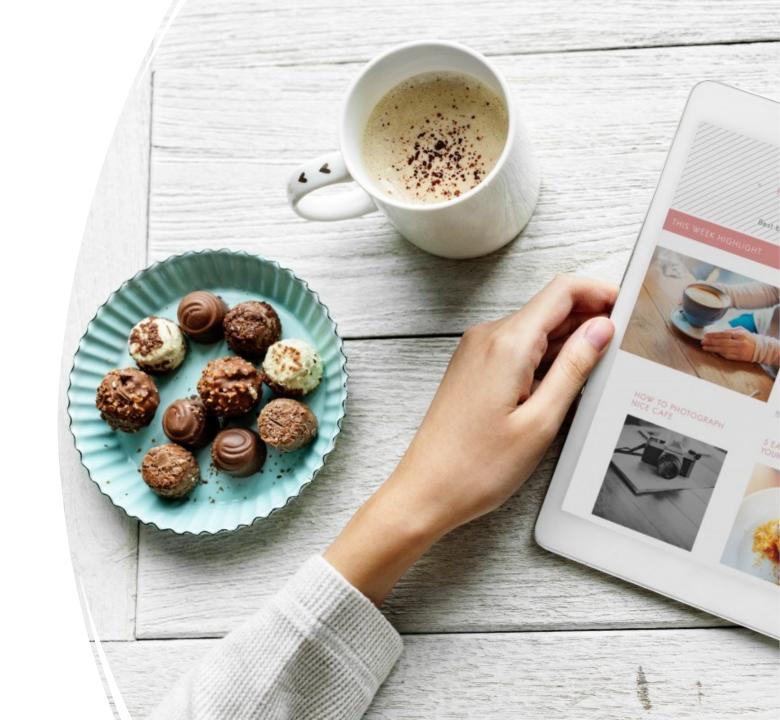
- Grocery lists
- More bang for your buck
  - Using Coupons
  - Buying in bulk
- Portion sizes
- Learning about measuring units
- Learning about money

### Changing Recipe Portions

Recipe Amount	Times 2	Times 3	Times 4	Divided by 2	Divided by 4
1/8	1/4	3/8 (close to 1/2)	1/2	1/16	nil
1/4	1/2	3/4	1	1/8	1/16
1/2	1	1 and 1/2	2	1/4	1/8
3/4	1 and 1/2	2 and 1/4	3	3/8	3/16
1 and 1/4	2 and 1/2	3 and 3/4	5	5/8	5/16
1 and 1/2	3	4 and 1/2	6	3/4	3/8
1 and 3/4	3 and 1/2	5 and 1/4	7	7/8	7/16

# Literacy

- Reading
- Writing
- Speaking
- Listening
- Vocabulary



# Reading

- Vocabulary
- Help learners
  - Recognize themselves as learners
  - Take risks in learning
  - Engage in the act of learning
  - Develop learning strategies

Consider Authentic materials

### **How to Handwash?**

Duration of the entire procedure: 40-60 seconds



Wet hands with water;



Apply enough soap to cover all hand surfaces;



Rub hands palm to palm



Right palm over left dorsum with interlaced fingers and vice versa;



Palm to palm with fingers interlaced;



Backs of fingers to opposing palms with fingers interlocked:



Rotational rubbing of left thumb clasped in right palm and vice versa;



Rotational rubbing, backwards and forwards with clasped fingers of right hand in left palm and vice versa;



Rinse hands with water;



Dry hands thoroughly with a single use towel;



Use towel to turn off faucet:

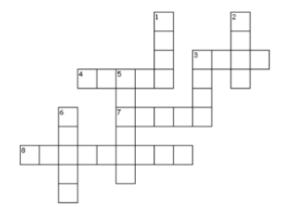


Your hands are now safe.

# Writing

- Recipes
- Fill-in blanks
- Grocery lists
- Vocabulary lists
- Word matching





Word List		
Boil Quarter Simmer Bake	Baste	
Quarter	Mince	
Simmer	Stir	
Bake	Grate	
Dice		
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### Across

- 3. Heating a liquid on high heat until there are lots of bubbles and steam.
- Spreading the juices or sauce in the bottom of the pan over the food while it is still cooking.
- Cutting food into very small pieces.
- 8. Cutting food into 4 pieces.

### Down

- 1. Cutting food into cubes.
- Blending food ingredients together using a spoon, spatula or another tool.
- 3. Cook food by dry heat usually in an oven.
- Heating a liquid on the stove until you see some bubbles and steam.
- 6. Shredding food into small pieces.



# Speaking and listening

- Sugar quiz
- Storytelling

Oral, Personal and Interpersonal skill building

# The Truth About Sugar Fact or Fiction?

#### Question #1:

Fruit and vegetables contain different types of sugars.

#### Question #2:

Sugar is only used to sweeten food and drinks

### Question #3:

My body doesn't need sugars

#### Question #4:

Sugars are hidden in lots of products

### Question #5:

Brown sugar is better for me than white

#### Question #6:

All the sugars in orange juice come from the oranges themselves

#### Question #7:

Sugars in milk come directly from the cow

#### Question #8:

Bananas contain one type of sugar

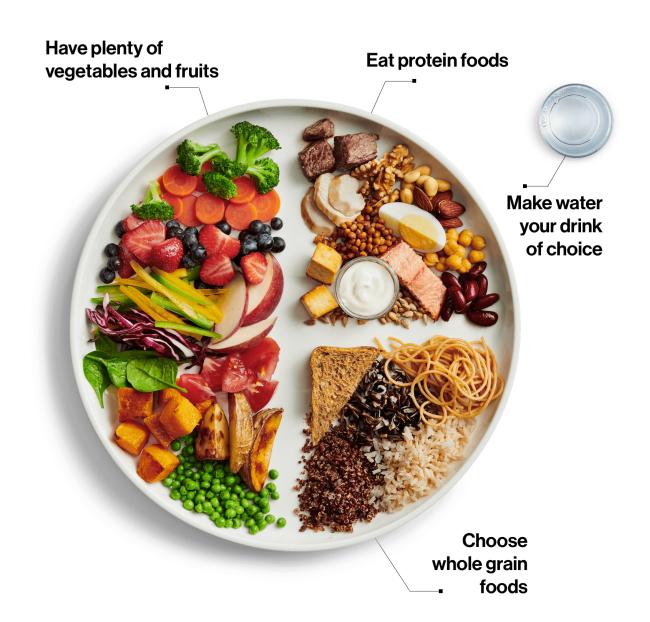
### Question #9:

Your body can distinguish between sugars used in processed foods and those found naturally in fruit



# Decision making and problem-solving

- Healthy eating choices
- Canada Food Guide
- Understanding serving size
- Making substitutions

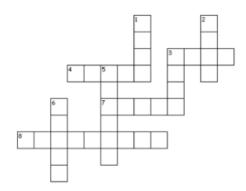


### Fun Activities

- Bingo
- Wordsearch
- Crossword
- Coupon sharing

What activities would you include?





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### Labels

- New vocabulary
- Nutritional information
- Portion size
- Percentages
- Healthy choices
- Measuring



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### **Using the Nutrition Facts Table: % Daily Value**

#### **How to CHOOSE**

The Nutrition Facts table gives you information on calories and 13 core nutrients. Use the amount of food and the % Daily Value (% DV) to choose healthier food products.

#### Follow these three steps:



### LOOK at the amount of food ------

Nutrition Facts are based on a specific amount of food (also known as the serving size). Compare this to the amount you actually eat.



### READ the % DV

The % DV helps you see if a specific amount of food has a little or a lot of a nutrient.

5% DV or less is a LITTLE 15% DV or more is a LOT

This applies t all nutrients.





Make a better choice for you. Here are some nutrients you may want...

#### less of

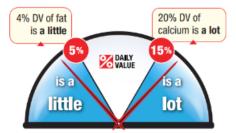
#### Fat

- more of

  Fibre
- Saturated and trans fats
- Vitamin ACalcium
- Sodium
- m Iron

### Here is an example of how to choose:

You are at the grocery store looking at yogurt. The small container (175 g) of yogurt you pick has a little fat (4% DV) and a lot of calcium (20% DV) – this is a better choice if you are trying to eat less fat and more calcium as part of a healthy lifestyle!



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### Sugar Sense Matching Game

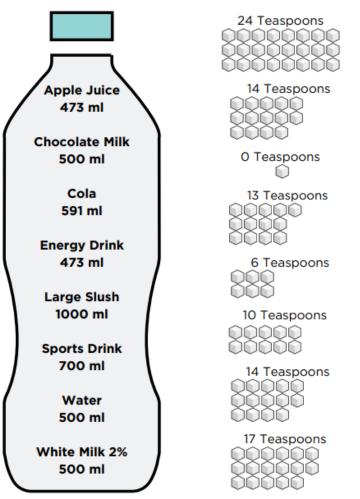
In pairs, work through the Sugar Sense Matching game.

You have 5 minutes.

### **Sugar Sense Matching Game**

Directions: Match the beverage with the amount of sugar it contains.

1 teaspoon = 1 sugar cube = 1 sugar pkg (approx.)







## Creative thinking

- Hand measuring
- Substitutions
- Recipes with food hamper items
- Pantry basics





### Learner-centered

- Recognizes what the learner brings to the class
- Includes learners in the whole process of learning (planning, implementing, assessing, etc.)
- Incorporates different methods for learning
- Incorporates adult learning principles

# The Ripple Effect

- Provides a supportive environment where learners connect, feel welcome, and actively participate in learning
- Helps reduces barriers
- Shares ways to increase food security
- Developing a sense of belonging
- Developing new transferrable skills to use everyday



## Now it's your turn!

# Using the Cracker Nachos Recipe handout:

- Build your learning objectives
- Create a list of activities you could do in your Collective Kitchen.



### Cracker Nachos: Recipe and Nutrition

### Cracker Nachos

Using whole grain crackers in place of tortilla chips reduces the fat and increases the fibre in this recipe. Enjoy this as a snack or an appetizer.

### Ingredients

20	low sodium whole wheat crackers	20
1/2 cup	grated reduced fat (or light) cheddar cheese (18% M.F.)	125 ml
2	green onions, chopped	2
1/2	green bell pepper, chopped	1/2
1/2 cup	grated reduced fat (or light) cheddar cheese (18% M.F.)	75 ml
14 cup	salsa	60ml

#### Directions

- Preheat oven to 350° F (175° C).
- Place crackers close together on a baking sheet.
- Sprinkle ½ cup (125 ml) of grated cheese on the crackers.
- 4. Sprinkle with the onion and green pepper. (4
- Sprinkle ¼ cup grated cheese on top.
- Bake in oven for 15 minutes.
- Remove from oven and spoon a small amount of salsa on each cracker and serve immediately.

#### Makes 5 servings (4 crackers/71 g)

Amount	% Daily Value
Calories 130	
Fat 6 g	9 %
Saturated 2.5 g + Trans 0 g	13 %
Cholesterol 10 mg	
Sodium 260 mg	11 %
Carbohydrate 13 g	4 %
Fibre 2 g	8 %
Sugars 1 g	101
Protein 7 g	
Vitamin A	8 %
Vitamin C	20 %

Nutrient Claim	Amount per serving
Source of fibre	2 g
Low in potassium	150 mg
High in calcium	188 mg
Source of magnesium	27 mg
Source of iron	0.7 mg

Canada's Food Guide Food Group	Food Guide servings per recipe serving
Vegetables and Fruit	1/2
Grain Products	1/2
Milk and Alternatives	1/2
Meat and Alternatives	0

### Share

- One learning objective you talked about.
- What types of activities did you discuss?
- Did you learn anything new while doing this exercise?



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A Closer look at our Collective Kitchen Handbook

You can download a copy of our Handbook here







# Grocery List Review

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Questions



### Resources

- Make healthy meals with Canada's food guide plate Canada's Food Guide
- Healthy eating on a budget Canada's Food Guide
- <u>Alberta Food Safety Basics Booklet (ecala.org)</u>PDF Questions and answers about food safety
- Understanding the Sugar Content in Sugar Packets | Actualizado marzo 2024 (athyp.com) Crazy Sugar comparisons video 10 mins
- <a href="http://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1326218819869">http://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1326218819869</a> They all speak carrot

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# Thoughts?

Thank you for attending the session!

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