Session 4 or 2: Be a Fat Detective.

We'll begin today to keep track of your weight.



Your starting weight was _____ pounds.

Your weight goal is _____ pounds.



To help you lose weight, we'll help you eat healthy.

Healthy eating involves eating less fat.

• Eating too much fat is "fattening" (makes us fat). By eating less fat, you can lose weight.

In fact, fat is the most fattening of all the things we eat.

Fat contains **more than twice the calories** as the same amount of sugar, starch, or protein.

Even small amounts of high fat foods are high in calories. Compare:

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Grams of fat

Calories



3 cups plain, air-popped pocorn(12 times as much food!)192

Fat is related to heart disease and diabetes.

¹/₄ cup peanuts

Research has shown that eating a lot of fat can increase your cholesterol level. Cholesterol is one type of fat in your blood. The higher your cholesterol, the greater your chance of having a heart attack. Research has also shown that eating a lot of fat may increase your chances of getting diabetes.

What kinds of foods do you eat that are high in fat?

Most of the fat we eat (70% of it) is hidden in foods.

Let's uncover it! Here's a lunch menu:

Fried fish sandwich	5 teaspoons of fat
Large French fries	6 teaspoons of fat
Apple turnover, fried	4 teaspoons of fat
Milkshake, with ice cream	5 teaspoons of fat
Total:	20 teaspoons of fat (That's about 1 entire stick of butter or margarine!)

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Keep track of the fat you eat every day.

1. Write down everything you eat and drink.



It's the **most important** part of changing your behavior.

Spelling is NOT important. What IS important is to:

- Be honest (write down what you really eat).
- Be accurate (measure portions, read labels).
- ••• Be complete (include everything).

2. Figure out how much fat is in every food. Write it down.



3. Add up the fat you eat during the day.

Your fat gram goal or "budget" is to stay under _____ grams of fat each day.

A gram is the way fat in food is measured. A gram is a unit of weight. A paper clip weighs about 1 gram.

It may be hard to reach your fat gram goal at first. Just try to **get as close to your goal as you can.**

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Keeping Track (practice page)

For each food below:

- Look up the food in the Fat Counter,
- ••• Figure out the grams of fat in the amount you ate.

Time	Amount	Food: Name/Description	Grams of Fat	Calories
	Pra	actice Pag	е	

Total: _____

FAT Detective

When you use the Fat Counter:



For example, in a stew, how much meat did you eat? Carrots? And so on.

If you cook from recipes often, bring in some favorite recipes next week. Your Lifestyle Coach will help you count the grams of fat in them.

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Eat a packaged food? Look on the label for the fat grams.

Nutrition Facts Serving Size 1 oz. (28g/about 21 pieces) Servings Per Container 10				
Amount Per ServingCalories 150Calories from Fat 80				
Dietary F	d Fat 2g rol 0mg 600mg bohydrate 1 Fiber less tha ess than 1 g	6 g		alue* 14% 10% 0% 12% 5% 1%
Vitamin A Calcium	0% 0%	Vita Iro	min C n	0% 2%
 * Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs: Calories 2.000 2.500 				
Total Fat Sat Fat Cholesterol Sodium Total Carbohyo Dietary Fiber	Less than Less than Less than Less than Less than	2,000 20g 300mg 2,400mg 300g 25g	2,500 65g 25g 300mg 2,400m 375g 30g	80g g
Calories per gr Fat 9	am: Carbohydr	ate 4	Pro	tein 4

- Look at the Serving Size.(Is this the amount you ate?)
- Look at the Total Fat grams per serving.

What if you eat a larger serving than is listed on the label?

You will be eating more fat grams than are listed on the label.



Adding up the fat grams.

Fat Budget Over Budget

Amount	Food: Name/Description	Grams of Fat/ <i>Running Total</i>
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• Weigh myself at home every_____

at this time of day ______.

• Record my weight on the back of the Keeping Track book.

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Write the fat grams down in the Keeping Track book.

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