

ENERGY INTAKE

How to calculate the energy you consume

Going to work, doing exercise, spending time with beloved. Everything we do in our day-life needs an energy support to be accomplished. Basic activity like breathing, thinking and digest also needs energy. But where does this energy come from? If this question could seem difficult, the answer is very simple: from food! Consider that it could have happened that you skipped meals and felt unloaded, tired, out of power but you felt a little better immediately after eating something. This could be a little proof about the link between our diet and energy. The food we eat consists of macronutrients which give us energy in the form of calories, as a matter of fact, the scientific definition of calories says are units of energy that a food or drink provides. In this situation we will know how to calculate the energy intake based on the food we eat.

This situation can be linked to the "IT DOESN'T NEED TO BE SWEET", "DON'T MESS AROUND WITH FATS" situations by having the possibility to comprehensively address a mathematical pathway related to nutrition, a topic that closely affects us in our everyday life.





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Main information	
Content	Natural numbers Decimal numbers Multiplication, division, addition and subtraction
Target group	 Adults and young adults Learners Recognize and understand simple, common qualitative representations and use the information to make decisions Cope with one-step, simple operations such as counting, performing basic arithmetic operations to cope with everyday situations Curious and sensitive to health issues
Learning intention	Numeracy for personal and private purposes
Duration	2 UE+
Material and resources	Picture cards
Group size	from 5 to 10 learners/ small group work: 2 to 3 learners
Problem statement	As we know, food provides us with the energy we need to accomplish all our daily activities through calories. Once we understand that the value of calories intake is based on the amount and type of macronutrients, it will be easy to estimate the total intake during the day. This estimate can serve to have an awareness of caloric intake useful for later considerations in terms of health and well-being.
Learning outcomes and results	Learners know how much the energy value of various macronutrients is, and with simple calculations they get the total intake.
Reference to National Qualification Frame	Optional (country's decision)





Methodical and Time Description of content/activities Material (lessons) didactic information¹ 30' 1.Discover Learners will be presented with material that will first briefly inform them about the concept of the calorie, and then move on to the caloric value to which each gram of Questioning ingested macronutrients Presentation (see Explicit teaching corresponds. appendix 1) The topic, with good probability, may have already been addressed by the learners. It is suggested to start this stage by investigating knowledge about it and trying to stimulate a discussion/comparison. 45'+ 2. Calculate the calories In this phase work with cards showing the meals taken by a person over the course of the day. The learners, knowing the value of the conversion Cards (see appendix Working in small between gram and calories, will have 2) groups to add up all the information obtained to get the amount of calories that diet Collaborative provides. learning Metacognitive If it is planned to carry out the other strategies activities in the food and health strand, it is suggested to use the cards showing the nutrition tables used in those cases. The meal combinations developed by the learners during the other situations can also be used, so as to reiterate the bonding concept that this theme has (the quantity and guality of food ingested affects energy intake). (60') 2.1 Calculate the calories: Alternative Possibly, the activity can be expanded Individual work or replaced by having learners investigate the amount of calories they take in during the day. For this phase, it

Working plan

¹ for description and explanation of kinds of tasks, HITs and other background information please consult the teachers' guide





	is necessary to give them some time to write down their diet intake (a couple of typical days may suffice) so that the calculation activity involves them directly, and if they are interested in the topic, they may be more aware of it.	
30'	3.Discussion of work done and information gained At the end of this course, a discussion and comparison activity related to the mathematical tools used is conducted.	Feedback





Appendix 1

Phase DISCOVER

Valore energetico dei macronutrienti per grammo:

1 g carboidrati= 4 kcal. 1 g proteine = 4 kcal. 1 g grassi = 9 kcal.

Appendix 2

Phase CALCULATE THE CALORIES

For each diet reported by the cards it would be good to also find the relevant nutritional tables, or alternatively start from the nutritional tables used in the other situations and construct diets.

In case learners have prepared in the previous situation's combinations of meals, one can those.







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	VENERDÌ	UUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUU
COLAZIONE	150 ml latte vaccino parzialmente scremato + 40 g fette biscottate integrali + 20 g burro di arachidi + 1 banana	COLAZIONE
SPUNTINO 🍊	1 mela	SPUNTINO 40 g gallette di riso integrale + 150 g banana
PRANZO	Zuppa con 70 g di orzo e 100 g di lenticchie secche	PRANZO 200 g farro con 130 g carciofi + 200 g fiocchi di formaggio magro + 150 g carcot + 2 cucchiaini olio evo
	+ 150 ý čarote junenne + 20 ý úno evo	SPUNTINO T70 g yogurt greco + 70 g fiocchi di mais
	200 g verza al gratin + 120 g tonno	CENA 280 g platessa + 200 g rapa + 300 g patate + 120 g pane integrale + 1 cucchiaino olio evo
	ai naturale + 80 g pane integrale + 20 g olio evo	SPUNTINO 👘 125 g yogurt naturale + 300 g mela

Source: Dieta da 2000 kcal: il menù settimanale (my-personaltrainer.it) [30.06.2023]





Valori medi per	parte edibile 100 g	% AR
Energia	2466 kJ 596 kcal	30%
Grassi di cui acidi grassi saturi	50 g 3,8 g	71% 19%
Carboidrati di cui zuccheri	9,1 g 4,4 g	3,5%
Fibre	13 g	-
Proteine	21 g	43%
Sale	0,01 g	0%

DICHIARAZIONE NUTRIZIONALE			
Valori medi	per 100 g	per porzione (letta 25 g)	
Energia	1035 kJ - 246 kca	259 kJ - 62 kcal	
Grassi	5,2 0	1,3 g	
di cui aci	di grassi saturi 0,8 g	0.2 g	
Carboidrati	37 g	9,3 g	
di cui zu	ccheri 4,0 g	1.0 g	
Fibre	7.2 0	1,8 g	
Proteine	9,2 0	2,3 g	
Sale	1.8 ç	0.45 g	

Source: Fage Total 5% Grassi - 170 g (openfoodfacts.org) [30.06.2023]



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VALORI NUTRIZIONALI MEDI	PER 100g
Energia	1599 kJ/377 kcal
Grassi di cui acidi grassi saturi	1,7 g 0,4 g
Carboidrati di cui: zuccheri	81 g 0,6 g
Production	3,9.8
roteine	7,5 8
Calle	0,30 8

Source :

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Source:

Mela: proprietà, calorie, valori nutrizionali, benefici e controindicazioni (benessere360.com)

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