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Chapter 10 – Nutrition for Health

Vocabulary Words

1. nutrition – the process by which your body takes in and uses food.
2. nutrients – substances in food that your body needs to grow, to repair itself, and to supply you with energy.
3. calorie – a unit of heat used to measure the energy your body uses and the energy it receives from food.
4. hunger – the natural physical drive to eat.
5. appetite – the psychological desire for food.
6. carbohydrates – the starches and sugars found in foods, which provide your body’s main source of energy.
7. fiber – a tough complex carbohydrate that the body cannot digest.
8. proteins – nutrients the body uses to build and maintain its cells and tissues.
9. cholesterol – a waxy, fatlike substance in your blood.
10. vitamins – compounds found in food that help regulate many body processes.
11. minerals – elements found in food that are used by the body.
12. osteoporosis – a condition in which the bones become fragile and break easily.
13. Dietary Guidelines for Americans – a set of recommendations about smart eating and physical activity for all Americans
14. MyPlate – an interactive guide to healthful eating and active living.
15. nutrient-dense – foods that have a high ratio of nutrients to calories.
16. food additives – substances added to food to produce a desired effect.
17. foodborne illness – food poisoning.
18. pasteurization – treating a substance with heat to kill or slow the growth of bacteria.
19. cross-contamination – the spreading of pathogens from one food to another.

20.food allergy – a condition in which the body’s immune system reacts to substances in some foods.

21.food intolerance – a negative reaction to food that doesn’t involve the immune system.

Academic Vocabulary

22.psychological – directed toward the mind.

23.reaction – a response to a stimulus or influence.

24.visualize – to form a mental image of.

25.item – an object of concern or interest.