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SUGAR EXERCISE

Let's learn how to read nutritional labels

STEP 1

_ g of sugar \div 4 =

- teaspoons of sugar per 1 serving

(1 teaspoon of sugar is equal to 1 sugar cube)

STEP 2

teaspoons of sugar 🗙 ____ servings =

SUGAR CUBES PER ITEM



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SUGAR ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Set up for activity

- 1. Ask everyone to pick their favorite candy or drink
- 2. Make sure everyone has a calculator, pen/pencil, and paper

Learn how to read the "Nutrition Facts" label

- Identify how many grams of sugar there are (per serving size, this should just be what's printed on the label)
- 2. Divide that number by 4
- The number they get is the # of teaspoons of sugar there are per serving.
 One teaspoon is equivalent to 1 sugar cube.
- 4. Ask them to identify how many servings there are in each box/drink. Tell them to multiply their teaspoon total by the number of servings.
- 5. Ask them to stack their total number of sugar cubes next to their candy/drink.

Ask why is too much sugar bad for you?

- 1. Diabetes
- 2. Weight gain
- 3. Rotting teeth/cavities
- 4. Bad skin
- 5. Energy drain

Identify healthier alternatives/ healthier foods

- 1. Fruit
- 2. Berries
- 3. Greek yogurt
- 4. Sweet potatoes
- 5. Smoothies
- 6. Vegetables
- 7. Whole grains



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