

# English as a second language 

Teaching Unit<br>for<br>Cycle two, year one and year two with suggestions for use in cycle three

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## INTRODUCTION

March is national nutrition month. The following learning situation can help bring this theme into the ESL classroom in an in-depth and dynamic way, adding to students' awareness of the consequences of nutrition on their health and well-being.

Originally created for Cycle Two, this unit now contains some tasks appropriate for Cycle Three students. It also includes numerous tasks that allow the teacher to integrate simple communications technologies, which will undoubtedly spark students' interests. The tasks are meant to be completed in sequence since they build up to a final group project, although some may go beyond the scope of one's teaching time. While there are some formal evaluation tasks offered, teachers are encouraged to informally evaluate their students throughout the entire learning situation.

This document contains both a teacher's guide and a student copy that can be downloaded in the format of your choice and photocopied as needed.

For background material on the nutritional needs of young children, read Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating Focus on Preschoolers - Background for Educators and Communicators Health Canada's Food Guide Facts, and A Closer look at Other Foods. Have children collect and bring in pictures of various foods and grocery store flyers. Refer to Canada's Food Guide Infosheet \#1 and Infosheet \#2, or order your class copies from:

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## PLANNING CHART

Title: NUTRITION
Outcome: At the end of the second cycle, students will be able to create a meal that includes items from the four food groups.
Cycle 2: (years 1 and 2)
Cycle 3 students will write a cookbook of their favourite recipes using the computer.

BROAD AREA OF LEARNING: health and well-being
FOCUS OF DEVELOPMENT: awareness of the consequences of personal choices on health and well-being in the following area: nutrition.

## CROSS-CURRICULAR COMPETENCY:

Intellectual: - to exercise critical judgement
Methedological: - to use information and communication technologies
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ESL COMPETENCIES: 1 - to interact orally in English
$>$ Focus: to transmit an oral message
2 - to reinvest understanding of oral and written texts
$\rightarrow$ Focus: to carry out meaningful tasks using strategies
3 - to write a text
$\rightarrow$ Focus: to revise a text using strategies

## ESL EVALUATION CRITERIA

ESL competency 1 (for Cycles 2 and 3) and competency 2 (for Cycle 3 only)

- Use of strategies
- Appropriate non-verbal reactions to the interaction situation
- Use of functional language
- Participation in exchanges
- Pronunciation


## MATERIALS NEEDED

Task 1 - Food chart acetate
Task 2 - Cardboard food pictures and envelopes
Task 3 - Survey worksheet
Task 4 - Cardboard food pictures and envelopes
Task 5 - Plastified picture cards and string
Task 6 - Sets of cards (body parts - food groups)
Task 7 - Homework sheet


Pictionary
Storybook
Crossword puzzle


Story: Why do our stomach growl when we're hungry?
Grocery store flyers (1 per student)
Treasure hunt worksheets and Health Canada booklets

## PREPARATION

TASK 1 Guided discussion about food in general and good eating habits. Put acetate on OHP. (Make an acetate of the attached Worksheet.) Go over the vocabulary at the top of the page.

| Often | Sometimes | Rarely |
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| Good $\odot$ | Okay $\cdot$ | Bad $: \%$ |
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TASK 2 "The Good and the Bad" Group students for co-op activity

Explain roles: Secretary
Animator
Materials Manager
Reporter

Hand out an envelope to each group with pictures of various foods. "The Canadian Food Guide" kit contains a great variety of cardboard food pictures.

In co-op groups, students decide under which category to write the different foods (envelopes)

After 10 minutes, regroup and the reporters from each group share their results. Use acetate to compile information.


## ACTION

TASK 3 - Carrying out the task

Survey (interaction activity) *Can be evaluated

Worksheet (see attached)

Go over the questions first: Do you like $\qquad$ ?

Yes, I like...

No, I don't like...

Hand out worksheet; students walk around and ask 5 classmates what they like.

Regroup and share information. (Have students, in turn, present one classmate's like, and another's dislike; example: "(Maxime) likes (chocolate); (Nathalie doesn't like (peanut butter)."

TASK 3 - Survey


Ask 5 classmates what foods they like. Ask for their signature.

| Name | signature | Do you like? | Yes, I do. | No, I don't. |
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|  |  | pizza |  |  |
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Write your own $\rightarrow$


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## ITG ACTIVITY－Wordsearch

Check：http：／／puzzlemaker．school．discovery．com／
On this site，students can enter food words of their choice．
The computer will make the word search in printable form．

ACTIVITY－Have students prepare a＂Vocabulary Log＂or add the new words to their pictionary（a picture dictionary）．

Note to teachers: Here is a sample word puzzle created on the "puzzlemaker" web site.
Food Groups

| L | E | B | S | T | S | S | O | I | S | D | S | N | C | E |
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| M | I | L | K | G | L | Z | R | O | F | T | H | G | O | R |
|  |  | APPLE |  |  |  |  | BEANS |  |  |  |  | BREAD |  |  |
|  |  | CARROT |  |  |  |  | CHEESE |  |  |  |  | CHICKEN |  |  |
|  |  | EGGS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | LENTILS |  |  |
|  |  | LETTUCE |  |  |  |  | MILK |  |  |  |  | ORANGE |  |  |
|  |  | PEANUTS |  |  |  |  | RICE |  |  |  |  | YOGURT |  |  |

15 of 15 words were placed into the puzzle.
Visit Puzzlemaker at discoveryschool.com

Food Groups Solution

(Over,Down,Direction)
APPLE(5,12,W)
BEANS(10,5,NW)
BREAD $(14,13, N)$
CARROT(8,12,NE)
CHEESE $(3,10, E)$
CHICKEN $(7,5, S W)$
EGGS(9,4,NE)
GRAPES $(10,7, \mathrm{SE})$
LENTILS(10,9,W)
LETTUCE(8,7,NW)
MILK (1,15,E)
ORANGE $(8,1, S)$
PEANUTS(4,7,N)
RICE(12,5,SE)
YOGURT(15,7,SW)

## ASSIMILATION AND TRANSFER

TASK 4 - Introduction of the four food groups.
Divide the board into 4 sections. Title the four sections as follows:

| Dairy Products | Fruits and <br> vegetables | Meat and <br> substitutes | Bread and cereal |
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Divide the class into 5 or 6 groups. Hand out to each group an envelope containing a variety of food pictures from the 4 food groups.

In groups, students decide in which food group(s) their pictures belong.

A "reporter" from each group places the group's pictures under the appropriate title.

Use pictures from the Canadian Food Guide Kit, or pictures cut from flyers.

Go over the pictures with the students making sure the pictures are placed in the appropriate category. Homework - A pantry inventory

Hand out homework sheet. (See attached)

Students fill in the appropriate categories with items they have in their pantry.

Students can type their lists at home using "Word" and bring a diskette to school. Lists can be compiled in a class document, printed and distributed to all students.

Alternatively, the compiled list can be edited by the teacher and the class as it is being projected on the screen with a multimedia projector.

A third option is for students to E-mail their homework to the class E-mail account (hotmail.com offers free and simple E-mail accounts). The lists would then be compiled into a class document and edited.

## (3)

© Look in your pantry. List the foods you see in the correct category.


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Co-operative task - A shopping list
(requires math skills - addition and subtraction)

Materials needed 1 supermarket flyer per student 1 grocery list worksheet (see attached)

Preparation
Divide students into their cooperative groups (4 students per group)

Have students determine their roles:
secretary
materials manager
animator
reporter
Distribute materials

Procedure
Tell the students they are going to create a shopping list which includes the food from the four groups. Have them respect a budget.

Each student is responsible for one of the four food groups, and he/she suggests items in turn.

When the groups have reached their spending limit, have them either compare their answers with another group, or report their answers to the class.

Evaluation tip
This task can be observed and evaluated according to the criteria for ESL competency 1.

With an amount of $\qquad$ \$ make your own grocery list including the four food groups.

| ARTICLE'S NAME <br> Ex.: <br> A box of cereal $-\mathbf{A}$ loaf of bread. | PRICE <br> $\$$ | BALANCE <br> $\$$ |
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Student copy-photocopying authorized

TASK 5 - Interactive activity - "What am I?"
?
On the board, write different questions students can use to find out which food item is on their back.

2 Preparation: Prepare as many food picture cards (see attached) on a long string as you have students (as a necklace).

Place a "necklace" on each student's back (so that students don't see what food item they have). The aim of the game is for students to guess which food is on their back. To do so, students walk around the classroom and must ask 4 questions before being allowed a guess.

Questions on the board.
Am I a (vegetable, dairy product, meat or substitute, fruit or vegetable)?

Am I (colour)?
Am I (shape)?
Am I a (banana)?

Students can only answer with "yes" or "no".

Prepare additional pictures so that students who quickly guess their food item can play again with a different picture.

TASK 5 - "What am I?"


TASK 6 - Vocabulary review: body parts, food items, colours, Yummy Mummy

Co-op activity: using 2 sets of cards (see attached templates).


Students in groups of 4 pick, in turn, a card from each set: one Food Group card and one Body Part card then draws those items to create the group's Yummy Mummy.

Using construction paper, students cut out various food items (according to which Food Group and Body Part card they picked) and build a "puppet".

Give their puppet a name.

Present it to the class. (can be used as evaluation)
"This is V8.
His head is a lemon.
His body is a peanut.

## Grammar notions

$\mathrm{He} /$ she / it
a/an
his / her
is / are

His arms are two green beans..."


| TASK 6 - Food Groups Tenplate Cope on cratbord. Cut out. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FRUITS AND VEGETABLES | FRUITS AND VEGETABLES | FRUITS AND VEGETABLES |
| MEAT AND SUBSTITUTES | MEAT AND SUBSTITUTES | MEAT AND SUBSTITUTES |
| BREAD AND CEREAL | BREAD AND CEREAL | BREAD AND CEREAL |
| DAIRY PRODUCTS | DAIRY PRODUCTS | DAIRY PRODUCTS |

## EVALUATION

## Pairs evaluation - Competency 1

Place the "Yummy Mummies" (task 6) on the board with a letter above each.

On a loose-leaf paper, students write numbers 1 to 4 . In pairs: one student describes to his classmate four of the seven Mummies.

The other writes his answer on his sheet. Reverse roles.

Explain clearly the criteria for evaluation:
Students evaluate each other according to the following criteria: the student correctly uses the names of the food items, the body parts, the possessive pronouns his / her, and the singular and plural form of the verb "to be".

## Written production (individual work) - Competency 3

ITC Students create a meal using 2 items from each food group. (8 items in total) - Students may use their pictionary,

## Pairs evaluation - Competency 3

Creating a crossword puzzle.
Have students work in pairs. Log on to the following site: www.puzzlemaker.com and go through the procedure for making a crossword puzzle with them.

Specify the number of clues each group must make to define a food word.
Pairs submit their crossword puzzle to other groups, and correct it for them afterwards.

## JUST FOR FUN

A. Story Reading
"Why do our stomachs growl when we are hungry?"
Story includes discussion questions and activity suggestions. (see attached)
B. The Grambling stomach"

Matching captions to the illustrations. Contains a student copy and an answer key. (see attached)

## NUTRITION

## Just for Fun - Activity A: Story reading

## ? <br> Why do our stomachs growl when we are hungry?

If you haven't eaten in a long time, your empty stomach may make a loud growling noise. Scientists call this noise borborygmus (bor-buh-RIG-mus.) Your stomach naturally makes gurgling, bubbling noises as it works to digest your food. When your stomach is empty, these noises are louder because only air, not food, is being moved around your stomach. Food will help!

1. When was the last time you heard your stomach growl? How did it sound? How did it feel?
2. What do you think is happening in the picture?

3. If you hear your stomach rumbling, what can you do to stop the noise?
4. Ask a friend or a family member if you can put your ear on his or her stomach. What do you hear? Can you feel anything?
5. On a separate piece of paper, can you draw a picture of yourself when your stomach is growling?
6. Make up a sond about a grumbling hungry tummy that is searching for food. What other words could you use in your song that rhyme with grumbling and tummy?

## NUTRITION

Just for Fun - Activity B: The Grumbling Stomach
Instructions: Match the captions to the correct illustrations.

Why do our stomachs growl when we are hungry?


Captions:
A. "Please, I'm hungry as a wolf."
B. "Me too!"
C. "Teacher, can I eat my apple?"
D. "What's that noise!? It sounds like a train!"
E. "Sorry, rules are rules."
F. "Oh! It's me. It's 10 o'clock. I'm hungry."
$G$. "No, you must wait until recess."

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A TREASURE HUNT - Using the Food Guide, with ITC option

A pairs reading activity based on Health Canada booklet entitled "Using the Food Guide" for Cycle 3 student.

This booklet can be ordered from Health Canada (leave sufficient time to receive the booklets) or the students cans read it on the Internet at
www.healthcanada.ca

Materials needed: One copy of the Food Guide Treasure Hunt worksheet per student.

Procedure: Distribute worksheets. Have students get into pairs.
Distribute booklets, or if you are using the ITC option, log on to the booklet at the website.

Read the instructions with the class, and set a time limit.

When finished, pairs can compare their answers with another group or with yours.

## FOOD GUIDE TREASURE HUNT

Instructions: Answer the following questions on a piece of paper in your duotang. You can find the answers in "Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating",

1. How many Guidelines for Healthy Eating are there?
2. What is important to emphasize in your diet?
3. What should you limit in your diet?
4. On which page can you find information about vitamins? What mineral do children under age 12 need?
5. What does the Food Guide tell you in general?
6. Please find two tips to reduce fat. Copy them.
7. How many servings of vegetables and fruit are recommended each day in general?
8. Turn to p. 7: read the text about David. What sport does he practise? How many servings of meat does he need?
9. What is one serving of juice (in milliliters)?
10. What is one serving of yogourt? How many do you need each day?
11. Please find two tips on how to reduce salt in your diet. Copy them.
12. Define this term: "being active".
13. Who created this Food Guide?
14. Define this term: "health".
15. How many servings of each food group do YOU need?

## BOOK SUGGESTIONS

- The Berenstain Bears and too Much Junk Food, Berenstain, Stan and Jan
- Taking Food Allergies to School, Weiner, Ellen
- Staying Healthy, Eating Right, McGinty, Alice
- Herb the Vegetarian Dragon, Bass, Jules
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Carle, Eric
- Something Good, Munsch, Robert
- Do the Doors Open by Magic?, Ripley, Catherine


## CLASS PROJ ECTS

Our well-balanced meal - Cycle Two

A class cookbook - Cycle Three

