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# Chapter 2 - Choosing Foods Wisely

## True/False

- 1. Malnutrition describes conditions of both undernutrition and overnutrition.
- 2. Malnutrition is a state of poor nutritional status caused by inadequate intake of nutrients.
- 3. Measures of height, weight, head circumference, and body composition are examples of biochemical assessment tools.
- 4. Nutritional status is assessed using anthropometric, biochemical, clinical, and dietary methods.
- 5. Diet recall is a dietary assessment method that utilizes a 3-day food record.
- 6. The EAR and RDA standards are identical.
- 7. The MyPlate food guide is a visual tool that illustrates the recommendations found in the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans.
- 8. The ingredients on a food label must be listed in order of abundance in the food (most abundant to least abundant).
- 9. It is difficult to compare similar food items using the Nutrition Facts panel because serving sizes have not been standardized.
- 10. Nutrient content claims and health claims on food labels are both regulated by the FDA.

## Multiple Choice: Fact Recall Based

- 1. *Malnutrition* describes
  - A. a state of undernutrition.
  - B. a state of overnutrition.
  - C. poor nutritional status caused by an imbalance between nutrient needs and nutrient availability.
  - D. All of the above
- 2. Nutrient deficiency and nutrient toxicity are examples of
  - A. malnutrition.
  - B. overnutrition.
  - C. undernutrition.
  - D. normal day-to-day changes in nutritional status.
- 3. Factors that influence a person's nutritional needs include all of the following except:
  - A. age.
  - B. sex.
  - C. activity level.
  - D. income.
  - E. genetics.

- 4. Height, body weight, and body composition are examples of
  - A. anthropometric assessment tools.
  - B. biochemical assessment tools.
  - C. clinical assessment tools.
  - D. dietary assessment tools.
- 5. Analysis of blood or urine to determine how much of a certain nutrient or other substance is present is an example of
  - A. an anthropometric measurement.
  - B. a biochemical measurement.
  - C. a clinical assessment.
  - D. a dietary assessment.
- During clinical assessment, \_\_\_\_\_ of a nutrient deficiency are noted by the clinician, while \_\_\_\_\_ of a nutrient deficiency are reported by the patient.
  - A. symptoms, signs
  - B. signs, symptoms
  - C. laboratory measurements, complaints
  - D. complaints, laboratory measurements

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- 7. Dietary assessment of nutritional status may include all of the following tools except:
  - A. diet recall.
  - B. a food frequency questionnaire.
  - C. a diet record.
  - D. menu selection.
- 8. Dietary Reference Intakes (DRIs) are
  - A. a set of nutrient intake levels that should not be exceeded by any person at any age.
  - B. a record of the food items consumed by a reference person over a 3-day period.
  - C. a set of four dietary assessment standards used to assess and plan dietary intake.
  - D. a single set of nutrient intake levels based on a record of the food items consumed by a reference person over a 3-day period.
- 9. The DRIs include all of the following except:
  - A. Estimated Average Requirements.
  - B. Recommended Dietary Allowances.
  - C. Daily Values.
  - D. Adequate Intakes.
  - E. Tolerable Upper Intake Levels.
- 10. The DRI values are established for
  - A. infants and children and physical activity levels.
  - B. males and females, infants and children, and physical activity levels.
  - C. different age groups and physiologic conditions (pregnancy, lactation).
  - D. males and females, different age groups, and physiologic conditions (pregnancy, lactation).
- 11. The Estimated Average Requirement (EAR) is the estimated daily intake of a nutrient
  - A. that meets the needs of 50% of healthy individuals in a given life-stage and sex category.
  - B. that meets the needs of 97% of healthy individuals in a given life-stage and sex category.
  - C. that is used in establishing the RDA for infants younger than 6 months old.
  - D. that should not be exceeded.

- 12. The Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) is the estimated daily intake of a nutrient
  - A. that meets the needs of 50% of healthy individuals in a given life-stage and sex category.
  - B. that meets the needs of 97% of healthy individuals in a given life-stage and sex category.
  - C. that is established when not enough evidence is available to set an Adequate Intake (AI) level.
  - D. that should not be exceeded.
- 13. Adequate Intake (AI) levels are daily intake levels of a given nutrient that
  - A. should not be exceeded.
  - B. are established when RDAs cannot be determined because of insufficient evidence.
  - C. are equivalent to the EAR.
  - D. are adequate to meet the needs of 97% of healthy individuals in a given life-stage and sex category.
- 14. Tolerable Upper Intake Levels (ULs) are usual dietary intake levels that
  - A. should not be exceeded.
  - B. are well tolerated.
  - C. are meant to be used as goals for dietary intake.
  - D. are set only for those who take supplements.
- 15. An Estimated Energy Requirement (EER) is
  - A. the average energy intake needed for a person to maintain a healthy weight.
  - B. calculated using age, sex, weight, height, and physical activity level.
  - C. expressed as kilocalories.
  - D. All of the above
- 16. EERs differ from other DRI reference values because besides sex and age, the EER also factors in weight, height, and
  - A. physical activity level.
  - B. tobacco use.
  - C. alcohol use.
  - D. head circumference.

- 17. The purpose of the Acceptable Macronutrient Distribution Ranges (AMDRs) is
  - A. to assure appropriate energy intake for a given physical activity level.
  - B. to assess the adequacy of vitamins and minerals in the diet.
  - C. to determine if the distribution of carbohydrates, proteins, and fats in the diet is healthy.
  - D. to determine if the energy provided by each meal is adequate.
- 18. The AMDR for protein is
  - A. 45-65% of total energy.
  - B. 35-50% of total energy.
  - C. 20-35% of total energy.
  - D. 10-35% of total energy.
- 19. The 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans established four groups of key recommendations including:
  - A. Reduce calories to lose weight.
  - B. Reduce consumption of certain foods and food components.
  - C. Increase consumption of certain foods and food components.
  - D. All of the above
  - E. B and C
- 20. The 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend that Americans reduce their intakes of all of the following except:
  - A. sodium.
  - B. solid fats.
  - C. added sugars.
  - D. whole grains.
- 21. The 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend that Americans increase their intakes of all of the following except:
  - A. fruits.
  - B. dark green, red, and orange vegetables.
  - C. refined grains.
  - D. seafood.

- 22. You can use \_\_\_\_\_ to find out how many servings of each food group would be needed to meet nutritional needs.
  - A. the USDA food patterns
  - B. the DRIs
  - C. the MyPlate food guide
  - D. All of the above
  - E. A and C
- 23. Nutrient density is defined as
  - A. the ratio of a food's calories to its total nutrients.
  - B. the ratio of a food's nutrients to its total calories.
  - C. the amount of nutrients in a serving of food.
  - D. the amount of nutrients in a food item following removal of water.
- 24. Which of the follow statements about the MyPlate food guide is false?
  - A. MyPlate replaced MyPyramid as the government's official food guide in 2011.
  - B. The five food groups represented are fruits, vegetables, grains, protein, and dairy.
  - C. The recommended number of servings is specified on the graphic.
  - D. It is intended to serve as an online interactive tool to help users determine their food needs.
- 25. An example of a nutrient content claim is
  - A. "Low in sodium."
  - B. "Helps lower cholesterol."
  - C. "Lowers blood pressure."
  - D. "Improves vision."

- 26. Primary malnutrition develops
  - A. when someone does not consume an adequate amount of a certain nutrient or nutrients.
  - B. when an illness results in poor absorption of a certain nutrient or nutrients.
  - C. when someone experiences multiple deficiencies, but there is one nutrient that is most important.
  - D. None of the above
- 27. Secondary malnutrition develops
  - A. when someone does not consume an adequate amount of a certain nutrient or nutrients.
  - B. when an illness results in poor absorption of a certain nutrient or nutrients.
  - C. when someone consumes too much of a certain nutrient or nutrients.
  - D. None of the above
- 28. When evaluating nutritional status, the goal is to
  - A. determine how well one's diet is meeting individual requirements.
  - B. be assured of no potential nutritional deficiencies.
  - C. be assured of no potential nutritional toxicities.
  - D. All of the above
- 29. Besides height and body weight, anthropometric measurements include
  - A. blood levels of nutrients.
  - B. 24-hour dietary recall assessment.
  - C. evaluation of signs and symptoms of nutrient deficiencies.
  - D. body composition.
- 30. When a health care provider draws blood in order to measure someone's vitamin D status, they are performing
  - A. an anthropometric measurement.
  - B. a biochemical measurement.
  - C. a clinical assessment.
  - D. a dietary assessment.

- 31. One difference between diet recall and diet record methods is that
  - A. diet recall relies on a 3-day food record, while a diet record is based on just one day.
  - B. diet recall provides an indication of food intake patterns, while a diet record is based on every item consumed in a 24-hour period.
  - C. a diet record is based on a written record of every item consumed for at least 3 days, while diet recall is usually based on a single day.
  - D. a diet record provides an indication of food intake patterns, while a diet recall is based on every item consumed for a 3-day period.
- 32. When assessing adequacy of a certain B vitamin intake in a population, one should compare the average intake to the
  - A. UL.
  - B. RDA.
  - C. EAR.
  - D. AMDR.
- 33. When an individual wants to assess his or her intake of a certain vitamin, the best evaluation technique will be to compare his or her average daily intake to the
  - A. UL.
  - B. RDA.
  - C. EAR.
  - D. AMDR.
- 34. Imagine that Tom has completed a food record and assessment and learns that his vitamin C intake is 20 mg/day. The EAR for vitamin C for men of Tom's age is 75 mg/day, the RDA is 90 mg/day, and the UL is 2,000 mg/day. Based on this information Tom should
  - A. conclude that his vitamin C intake is adequate.
  - B. increase his intake of vitamin C-rich foods because he is not consuming enough.
  - C. take a vitamin C supplement of 2,000 mg/day.

- 35. Jen's EER is 2,000 kcal/day. Based on the AMDR, what is the minimum amount of calories that should come from carbohydrates, protein, and fats, respectively, in her diet?
  - A. 900, 200, 400
  - B. 1300, 700, 700
  - C. 1,000, 500, 500
  - D. 900, 700, 500
- 36. According to the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans, trying to reduce portion sizes and consuming a nutrient-dense breakfast are components of the recommendation to
  - A. build healthy eating patterns.
  - B. reduce consumption of certain foods and food components.
  - C. increase consumption of certain foods and food components.
  - D. balance calories to manage weight.
- 37. Examples of nutrient-dense foods include fruits, vegetables, whole grains, milk, and
  - A. soft drinks.
  - B. jelly beans.
  - C. eggs.
  - D. potato chips.
- 38. The USDA Food Patterns list is a tool to assist people in knowing how many servings of food groups to consume. The five food groups included in the list mirror those found
  - A. in the MyPlate graphic.
  - B. on the Nutrition Facts panel.
  - C. in the list of foods to reduce in the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans.
- 39. The recommendation in the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans that individuals drink more water and other low- or nocalorie beverages is based on the fact that
  - A. people typically do not consume enough beverages to stay hydrated.
  - B. many Americans consume high-calorie beverages containing added sugars that contribute to weight gain.
  - C. many Americans consume alcohol instead of water and therefore may be at risk for becoming intoxicated.
  - D. consuming high-calorie beverages may reduce food intake.

- 40. If you were to adopt the strategies captured in the MyPlate graphic, you would
  - A. make half your plate fruits and vegetables.
  - B. consume 4 food groups.
  - C. consume 6 food groups.
  - D. consume only meats as sources of protein.
- 41. The best use of the Food Tracker assessment tool accessed on the MyPlate website is to
  - A. pay attention to details and record every food and drink item consumed.
  - B. be as accurate as possible in estimating portion sizes of foods and beverages.
  - C. record the diet for three days representative of normal food intake, not holidays for instance.
  - D. avoid changing normal eating patterns on days when food intake is being recorded.
  - E. All of the above
- 42. The FDA requires that packaged foods include a Nutrition Facts panel on their labels. The Nutrition Facts panel must include
  - A. serving size.
  - B. nutrient density.
  - C. multiplication of nutrient values for multiple servings.
  - D. identification of the food group represented by the item.
- 43. When a consumer is comparing two similar food items, he or she can use the food label to decide
  - A. if one item contains more calories than the other.
  - B. if one item contains different ingredients than the other.
  - C. if one item contains more saturated fat than the other.
  - D. All of the above
  - E. A and C

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- 44. In order to determine if a food is a good source of a particular nutrient, you should check the \_\_\_\_\_ for that nutrient on the Nutrition Facts panel.
  - A. RDA comparison
  - B. Daily Value
  - C. Adequacy Scale
  - D. Nutrient Content Index

- 45. Nutrition content claims and health claims on food labels
  - A. are similar because they both indicate the content of a certain nutrient in the food.
  - B. are both used by manufacturers to increase the likelihood of consumer purchase.
  - C. both compare the food to other similar foods.
  - D. must both be supported by evidence of positive health benefits.

Answer Key	<i>Note:</i> ANS = correct answer; REF = page reference; TOP = section/outcome		
True/False			
1. ANS: T	REF: 21	TOP: 2.1	
2. ANS: F	REF: 21	TOP: 2.1	
3. ANS: F	REF: 23	TOP: 2.2	
4. ANS: T	REF: 23	TOP: 2.2	
5. ANS: F	REF: 25	TOP: 2.2	
6. ANS: F	REF: 27-28	TOP: 2.3	
7. ANS: T	REF: 38	TOP: 2.4	
8. ANS: T	REF: 40	TOP: 2.5	
9. ANS: F	REF: 41	TOP: 2.5	
10. ANS: T	REF: 43-44	TOP: 2.5	
Multiple Choice			
1. ANS: D	REF: 21	TOP: 2.1	
2. ANS: A	REF: 21	TOP: 2.1	
3. ANS: D	REF: 22	TOP: 2.1	
4. ANS: A	REF: 23	TOP: 2.2	
5. ANS: B	REF: 24	TOP: 2.2	
6. ANS: B	REF: 24	TOP: 2.2	
7. ANS: D	REF: 25	TOP: 2.2	
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9. ANS: C	REF: 26	TOP: 2.3	
10. ANS: D	REF: 26	TOP: 2.3	
11. ANS: A	REF: 27	TOP: 2.3	
12. ANS: B	REF: 28	TOP: 2.3	
13. ANS: B	REF: 29	TOP: 2.3	
14. ANS: A	REF: 29	TOP: 2.3	
15. ANS: D	REF: 31	TOP: 2.3	
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17. ANS: C	REF: 32	TOP: 2.3	
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21. ANS: C	REF: 36	TOP: 2.4
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44. ANS: B	REF: 42-43	TOP: 2.5
45. ANS: B	REF: 43-44	TOP: 2.5

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