

Food is one of our basic needs.

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- It helps us in the following ways:
- It helps us to grow.
- It gives us energy to work and play.
- It helps us to fight diseases and keeps us healthy.

No single food item provides us all the things that our body

needs. Therefore we eat different kinds of food.



- We need following kinds of food:
- Energy giving food
- Body building food

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• Protective food

ENERGY GIVING FOOD

Such food items give us energy to work and play. People who do more physical work need more energy food, in their diet.

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Rice, wheat, sugar, potato, butter, cheese, nuts and oil are

the examples of energy food.

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BODY BUILDING FOOD

They help our body to grow. They help us to build muscles and make us strong. Food such as milk, cheese, eggs, pulses, meat, fish, beans etc. are the body building food.

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PROTECTIVE FOOD

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Protective food provides vitamins and minerals which protect our body from diseases.

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Green vegetables and fruits are the protective

food.

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Salt is also an important ingredient of our food. It helps our brain to work properly.

WATER

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Our body needs water to work properly. Water is needed for digestion of food. It helps to remove harmful materials from our body.

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SOURCES OF FOOD

We get food, both from the plants and the animals.

Food From The Plants

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We get most of our food, from plants. We get vegetables, fruits, cereals and pulses from the plants.

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Food From The Animals

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Food items such as milk, meat and eggs are obtained from

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animals.

BALANCED DIET

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Our diet should contain all kinds of nutrients in proper amount. Such

a diet which contains all the nutrients in right amount, is called a balanced diet.

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For good health, it is important to take good food. But to stay healthy, it is equally important to follow good eating habits.

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Fact File

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- Most of the diseases are spread through the contaminated food.
- There are lots of people on the earth, who do not get proper food.

Things to Remember

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- Food gives us energy to work and helps our body to grow.
- We should eat balanced diet which contains all kinds of nutrients.
- We should eat such food which keeps us healthy and helps us fight, against diseases.