This activity book is designed to supplement health lessons on nutrition and physical fitness for fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students. Some of the activities are quite simple and require very little instruction and direction, while others are more difficult and require careful explanation prior to completion. The level of difficulty of the activities is varied in order to create both simple and challenging instruction for students. The level of reading for some of the activities is a little more difficult due to the nature of concepts being taught. Activities are provided under the following headings: nutrition, food groups, nutrition vocabulary, balanced diet, planning for fitness, physical fitness, physical activity, and things to do in order to be healthy. Activities include multiple choice, matching, coloring, fill in the blanks, encoding, crossword puzzle, word search, and drawing. Answer keys are provided. Materials may be reproduced as needed. (LL)
Dear Teacher:

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Sincerely,

Joyce Hersh
Bureau of Health Promotion
This book is about your health. In this book we will talk about physical fitness and nutrition. Below is a brief list of what you need for good health.

1. The right foods in the right amounts.
2. The required nutrients: carbohydrates, fat, minerals, protein, vitamins, and water.
3. The right number of calories (not too many, not too few).
4. The right amount of water and fiber.
5. Lots of sleep, rest, exercise, and fresh air.

The questions listed below talk about some of the health habits that you need to do. Read each question and circle the three choices that are correct for each question. Put an X over the wrong answer for each question.

1. What are some good health habits?
   a. Exercise every day.
   b. Eat a balanced diet.
   c. Stay up all night.
   d. Get enough rest.

2. Why is physical fitness needed for a healthy body?
   a. To have strong muscles.
   b. To talk on the telephone for hours.
   c. To make your heart and lungs stronger.
   d. To keep your body muscles flexible.
3. Why do you eat three balanced meals a day?

a. So you have a good reason to brush your teeth.

b. You cannot eat enough food at one time to give you energy for the whole day.

c. It is fun to eat different kinds of food during the day.

d. Your body has used up the food energy from your last meal.

4. Pick three examples of a nutritious breakfast.

a. Tomato soup and a toasted cheese sandwich.

b. Pizza and a glass of milk or grape juice.

c. A glass of orange juice and a peanut butter sandwich.

d. A candy bar and a can of pop.

5. Pick three examples of a nutritious lunch.

a. A taco, a glass of milk, and an orange.

b. Macaroni and cheese, carrot sticks, and a banana.

c. French fries and a doughnut.

d. Chili, corn bread, an apple, and a glass of milk.

6. Pick three examples of a nutritious dinner.

a. Lasagna, a salad, and applesauce.

b. Potato chips and dip, and chocolate cake.

c. Baked chicken, green beans, a roll, and pudding.

d. Tuna and noodle casserole, broccoli, and a glass of milk.

ANSWERS ON PAGE 15
This is the Food Guide Pyramid. It shows the food groups and how many servings per day of each group you should eat. Around the pyramid are pictures of foods. Draw a line from each food to the food group to which it belongs.
There are many words you need to know when you talk about nutrition. In Column 1 the terms are listed. In Column 2 the meaning of the words are listed. Match the items in Column 1 with the correct phrase in Column 2. Write the letter of the correct phrase on the line to the left of Column 1.

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<td>3. calorie</td>
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<td>6. fat</td>
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<td>7. food</td>
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<td>9. nutrients</td>
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<td>10. obesity</td>
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<td>11. protein</td>
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<td>m. nutrients that are needed by your body to use food; does not provide energy</td>
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COLOR THE BALANCED DIET PICTURE

If you eat foods from all the food groups each day, you will be able to maintain a balanced diet and get all the nutrients you need. See Page 3 for the correct amounts. Color this picture.
Fill in the blank with a word that completes each sentence. You can find the missing words listed below:

1. A substance that people need for good health is a **n______**.

2. Good sources of **c_______** are bread, noodles, and fruit.

3. An important mineral found in milk, cheese, and yogurt is **c_______**.

4. A **c_______** is a way to measure how much energy your body gets from food.

5. Avoid eating too much **f____** in your diet.

6. **C_______** is a stimulant found in coffee, tea, and most carbonated cola drinks.

7. The human body contains a large amount of **w____**.

8. Foods like broccoli, oatmeal, and whole wheat bread have a lot of **f____**.

9. You need at least six (6) servings of **g____** like cereal or bread every day.

10. What you eat each day is called your **d____**.

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**ANSWERS ON PAGE 15**
PLANNING FOR FITNESS

Here are some hints to help you get ready to exercise or do sports. Match the hint with the correct picture. Color the picture.

1. Wear clothes that are loose and easy to exercise in.
2. Drink lots of water before, during, and after physical activity to replace the water you lose.
3. Eat a balanced diet to have enough energy to be able to do physical activity.
Use of steroid drugs to build up muscles can damage your body and cause changes in how you feel about things.

Use the right equipment when you exercise.

Get enough sleep to prepare your body for physical activity and help in overall fitness.
Physical fitness means that your body is in the best condition for you. Doing different exercises can help you become physically fit. Physical fitness may lengthen your life and improve your health.

Use the secret code below to fill in the blanks and find out more about physical fitness.

1=A 2=B 3=C 4=D 5=E 6=F 7=G 8=H 9=I 10=J 11=K 12=L 13=M 14=N 15=O 16=P 17=R 18=S 19=T 20=U 21=V 22=W 23=X 24=Y

1. When you are physically fit, your body is in very good

2. You have good __________ when you are able to bend and move your body in different ways.

3. The term for fitness of the heart, blood vessels, and lungs is ___________.

4. Some type of __________ can often help reduce stress.

5. __________ is when your muscles help you lift, pull, and push.

6. Good physical fitness can help you __________ about __________

7. You have good __________ when your muscles work well together during movement.

8. Physical fitness slows the signs of __________.

9. Getting your muscles ready to do physical activity is known as __________.

10. After exercise, you need __________ time.

ANSWERS ON PAGE 15
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. A way to get your body physically fit involves hard exercise called ___ o ___.
3. Regular exercise makes the m ______ in your body strong.
5. Regular exercise makes your ___ n ___ work better, so you breathe easier.
8. When you exercise, you should breathe n __________.
9. The key to physical ________ s is regular exercise.
12. ___ n ___ is when you keep your body moving for a long period of time.
13. You can get your body ready to exercise by doing w ___ - ___ exercise.
15. You should eat a ___ c ___ diet if you want to exercise.
17. Regular exercise helps reduce ___ t ___.

DOWN
1. You have good ___ t ___ when your muscles work well together.
2. When you exercise you burn up ___ o ___.
4. Your muscles get strength and power from doing an activity fast and hard for a ___ r ___ period of time.
6. You need to get enough ___ p to prepare the body for physical activity.
7. Regular exercise makes your h ____ stronger.
9. To stay healthy, your body needs the right kind of ___ o ___.
10. ___ b _____ is when you are able to stretch your muscles and bend the joints in your body easily.
11. Regular exercise ___ c ___ stress
14. You should exercise at your own p ___.
16. You should eat a well balanced ___ t if you want to exercise.
18. You can build endurance when you ___ n or
19. ___ m.

ANSWERS ON PAGE 16
NUTRITION AND FITNESS
WORD SEARCH

You have learned many new nutrition and fitness words. See if you can find these words in the word search on the next page. The words are listed forward, backwards, upward (▲), downward (▼), or diagonally (↗ or ↖). Circle each word you find from the words listed below. Think about how these terms are part of good nutrition or fitness.

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Here is a list of some things you can do in order to be healthy. Check the ones you do now. Pick one of the ones you have not checked that you would like to try to do. Draw a picture of yourself doing this.

1. Get eight (8) hours of sleep each night.
2. Play a game at recess with your friends.
3. Spend some time doing an exercise or playing in a sport. Examples: bike riding, jumping rope, swimming, walking, playing soccer.
4. Eat a piece of fresh fruit.
5. Eat a nutritious breakfast.
6. Eat a nutritious lunch with your friends.
7. Try a new sport.
8. Not watch TV for a night and play outside instead.

DRAW A PICTURE HERE
ANSWER KEY

PAGE 1. GOOD HEALTH
1. a, b, d  2. a, c, d  3. b, c, d  4. a, b, c  5. a, b, d  6. a, c, d

PAGE 4. NUTRITION VOCABULARY

PAGE 6. NUTRITION WORD GAME

PAGE 9. PHYSICAL FITNESS
4. Physical activity  5. Muscular strength
10. Cooling down
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