SIMPLE, TASTY SLOW-COOKER MEALS

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   Saves time by letting the food cook unattended for an extended amount of time. Saves money by utilizing inexpensive cuts of meat. They will be tender when cooked for long periods of time. Tastes great by adding the spices that you want and the cook time allows more flavors to develop. Feel better by cooking from scratch. You control the amount of sugar, salt, or fat.

2. How can you test your slow cooker to make sure it is safe?  ____________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

   Fill your slow cooker ½ full of water. Heat the water on low for 8 hours with the lid on. Check the water temperature with a food thermometer. It should be at 185 degrees. Temperatures below 185 degrees would indicate that the slow cooker wouldn’t heat food high enough or fast enough to avoid potential food safety problems.

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   Whole chicken with rice and vegetables
   Beef roast with vegetables
   Spinach lasagna with whole-wheat noodles
   Chili

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   Eating the right portion size can help you maintain an ideal weight. Eating too much can impact your health and can cause you to gain weight.

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3. How can you use your hands to measure portion size?

   You can use your hands to measure foods. One cupped hand is about ½ cup of food. Two cupped hands is about 1 cup of food.
LABEL READING

1. What are the three tips Chef Marshall offers for selecting foods based off their labels?

1. Look for words you recognize

2. Find words that represent foods, not chemicals

3. Look for labels with fewer ingredients

TASTY WHOLE GRAINS

1. What are some of the benefits of eating whole grains?

   Provides consistent energy

   Helps you feel fuller longer

   Acts as “nature’s broom” to move things through the digestive system

   Helps the digestive system operate at peak efficiency

2. Label the three parts of the whole grain kernel in the diagram below

   Bran

   Endosperm

   Germ

3. What are some whole grain foods?

   Quinoa, brown rice, barley, oats, wheat berries, millet, whole grain pasta and noodles, whole grain bread