











Type 2 Diabetes

Weight Loss

MAKING HEALTHY SNACK CHOICES

It is normal to get hungry leading up to your next meal, and sometimes we need to satisfy hunger with a snack. Think about why you are snacking before deciding to eat, and whether you are truly hungry. Ask yourself these questions:

Is this a physical hunger from an empty and grumbling stomach, or is it a 'head hunger'?

- Are you eating because you are bored?
- Are you eating because you feel stressed or fed up?
- Do you have a craving for a particular food?

The foods you choose to eat between meals can make a big difference to the nutritional quality of your diet, and overall calorie intake. If you are trying to eat more healthily and lose weight, this guide will help you make better choices. However, the decision should not be based purely on calories, although this is clearly important for weight loss.

WAYS TO IMPROVE **SNACK CHOICES**

- 1. Choose a **lower-calorie** option.
- Choose an option that is more nutritious, and makes a positive contribution to your diet.
- Choose an option that is **both** lower in calories and more nutritious.













SNACK SWAPS

The examples below demonstrate how you can save calories and enjoy a nutritious snack as part of your overall calorie intake.

Instead of:

Coronation Chicken Sandwich



Choose:

Ham Salad Sandwich



Calories saved:

182 **CALS**

Other benefits:

15g less fat

> More salad

Instead of:

Choose:

Calories saved:

benefits:

Chocolate Digestive



Iced Ring



49 CALS

3g less fat

Mango Prawns



CALS

3g less fat

High in protein

Instead of:

Choose:

Calories saved:

Other benefits:

Salted Popcorn



42 CALS

3g less fat

Lower carbs

Crisps



Fiery Crisps



44 CALS

5g less fat

Instead of:

Choose:

Calories saved:

Other benefits:

Chocolate Éclair



Malt Loaf



27 **CALS**

14g less fat

> More fibre

More protein