

## **Eating for Your Health**

Session 1

# Outline

- Making Changes
- Increasing your eating awareness
- Non-hungry eating
- Questions and feedback

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## Whakawhanaungatanga

- Your name
- Something about yourself (e.g. where you are from, a hobby/interest)
- Something you hope to get out of these sessions







## Health & Wellbeing







## **Reasons I Want to Make Changes**

	To feel better		To have more energy
	To sleep better		To make a goal and achieve it
	To feel comfortable in my body		To take better care of myself
	To be fitter		To be less self-critical
	To be able to do things I can't now		To be able to enjoy physical activity
	To be able to play with my children / grandchildren		To be grateful for the body I have
	To live longer		To show myself that I can do it
	To have more confidence		To be proud of myself
	To feel more outgoing		To enjoy my ability to walk, talk and play
	To be able to do more things		To feel strong and physically capable
	To have my stomach feel good after I eat		To really savour and enjoy foods I love to eat
	To be able to eat without guilt		To feel more in control
	To enjoy and appreciate the present moment		To feel confident that I am truly looking after myself
	To trust my body cues		To be able to walk to my letterbox
	To enjoy more dietary variety		To enjoy sexual intimacy more
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## **Other Reasons**

Digestive:

- Feel physically comfortable inside
- Stomach feels good inside when I go to bed at night
- Wake up feeling rested and ready for a satisfying breakfast

#### Physical:

- Enjoy and appreciate what my body can do
- Have a life free from uncomfortable fullness and uncomfortable hunger
- Able to walk around the block

Psychological:

- Appreciate all life has to offer without worrying about my weight
- Be free from worrying about food choices
- Enjoy listening to and honouring my body signals

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# Cycle of Change





## **Making Changes**

How important is it to you to make changes to your lifestyle right now?

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Not		Somewhat							Very	
mportant	Important							Important		

How confident are you that you could make a change right now?

		Plac	e a circ	le wher	e you th	ink you	are		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Not	Somewhat							Very	
Confident		Confident						Confident	

Think about these questions:

- Do you feel you have enough confidence to make changes at the moment?
- If not, what needs to change in your life so you can feel more confident?

Use the space below to list anything that makes it harder (barriers) for you to make changes. Then come up with some possible solutions to help you overcome these.

Barriers

Solutions



# **Eating Awareness**

## Hunger is most trustworthy when we are:

• well-slept



• well hydrated



without high stress





# **Non-Hungry Eating**

#### **Common reasons for non-hungry eating:**

- Boredom
- Social events
- Eating too fast
- Cultural expectations
- Emotions sad, stressed, happy
- Enjoying the taste
- Availability because it's there
- Habit snacks with TV or at work desk
- Reward went to the gym, productive day at work
- Parents told us to eat everything on the plate
- Confusing hunger with thirst
- Marketing/advertising
- Filling up but not feeling satisfied



# **Overcoming Non-Hungry Eating**

### **Boredom:**

-Plan B list of activities -Change up patterns Seeing others eating: Perhaps more a desire for social interaction?



Emotional: What is it you actually need? Are you redirecting feelings?



# Hunger / Fullness Scale







## **Eating Awareness Diary**

Time/ date/ place/ activity	Thoughts & feelings before eating/ drinking	Hunger/ fullness scale before eating	Food/ drink consumed	Hunger/ fullness scale after eating	Thoughts & feelings after eating/ drinking	Speed of eating – slow/ moderate/ fast/ very fast
e.g. 11am Work lunch room chatting/eating	e.g. Morning tea was provided and I ate it "because it was there"	e.g. 5	e.g. 2 pieces of slice, 1 piece of fruit, 3 small savouries	e.g. 10	e.g. I feel disappointed with myself for eating as much as I did. There were lots of choices and I had to try them all	e.g. Fast
e.g. 1pm Kitchen table by self	e.g. Lunch time – starting to feel hungry	e.g. 3	e.g. 1 tuna & salad sandwich, 1 apple, glass of water	e.g. 5	e.g. Feeling satisfied and good about myself for eating when I am feeling hungry and not over eating	e.g. Moderate/fast





## Homework & Session 2

- Advantages card
- Making changes
- Hunger / fullness scale
- Eating awareness diary



Next time...

- Why diets don't work
- Mindful eating
- Buzz kai/foods
- When things don't go to plan





## Hunger-Fullness Scan







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