

Splenda)

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Label Reading

Most companies don't care about your health. They want your money and they have enough

money to make multiple health claims on their packaging. The FDA is years behind in approving food label claims so it's your responsibly to find out what's in the food you eat.
 □ Look at the nutrition label on the back of the box and ignore the marketing claims on the front of the box
 □ Less than 5 ingredients are considered a "healthy" food
 □ If you can't read it, don't eat it. You should be able to pronounce all ingredients, otherwise you're eating a science project (chemicals)
 □ Ingredients are listed in descending order of amount
 □ Foods with added sugar should be sweetened with something from nature (maple, honey, stevia, agave, brown rice syrup)
 □ Avoid ingredients that end in "ose"
 □ Avoid MSG, HFCS, food dyes and chemicals

 \square 1500 mg of sodium or less per day is the new recommendation from the Institute of Medicine (IOM) for persons over 50 years old. Others should seek to consume less than 2300 mg per day

Avoid chemical sweeteners (aspartame/ Equal, NutraSweet, Sucralose,

