# **Change Your Salty Ways In 21 Days!**

## Face feel puffy? Jeans fit tighter?

#### In 3 weeks you can:

- Change your salt (sodium) palate
- Start enjoying foods with less sodium
- Reduce bloating

American adults eat more than 3,400 milligrams (mg) of sodium daily - more than double the American Heart Association's recommended limit of 1,500 mg for most adults.



### WEEK 1

#### Breads & Rolls / Cold Cuts & Cured Meats

- Look for lower sodium items
- Track how much sodium you
  eat
- Measure your sodium subtraction success

### WEEK 2

#### Pizza / Poultry

- If you eat pizza, make it one with less cheese and meats, and limit to no more than once per week
- Add veggies to your pizza
  instead
- Use fresh poultry rather than fried, canned or processed, and limit to once or twice per week

### WEEK 3

#### Soups / Sandwiches

- One cup of chicken noodle soup can have over 830mg of sodium
- Check labels and try lower sodium varieties
- Use lower sodium meats, cheeses & condiments & plenty of vegetables to build healthier sandwiches



Look for the Heart Check mark to find products that can help you make smarter choices about the foods you eat. **Sodium is found in almost all foods including mixed dishes** such as sandwiches, burgers, and tacos; rice, pasta, and grain dishes; pizza; meat, poultry, and seafood dishes; and soups.

Learning to read and understand the Nutrition Facts label can help you make healthier choices.

Choose wisely and watch portion control.



### TexasHealth.org/SodiumFacts

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