

## **Healthy Eating for Elders:** Sixteen Savory Snacks<sup>1</sup>

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Here are some snack ideas that are not only easy to prepare, they are healthy too! Keep some of these choices handy for the next time you have the snacking urge.

- 1. Zucchini strips dipped in low-fat ranch dressing or plain yogurt
- 2. Frozen banana (peel before freezing)
- 3. ½ bagel topped with fruit preserves
- 4. ½ cup dried mixed fruit
- 5. Graham crackers topped with peanut butter
- 6. 1 cup buttermilk
- 7. 1½ ounces low-fat string cheese
- 8. Homemade popsicle (made with your favorite fruit or vegetable juice)



- 9. Hard cooked egg and <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup fruit juice
- 10. 1 cup low-fat yogurt
- 11. ½ cup sliced cucumbers and tomatoes with low-fat Italian dressing or plain yogurt
- 12. Pita bread and hummus (chickpea dip)
- 13. Slice of whole wheat toast with margarine and a pinch of sugar and cinnamon



- 14. Tortilla topped with melted cheese
- 15.  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup melon cubes
- 16. <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup low-sodium vegetable juice with 3 to 4 wheat crackers
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