

WEEK 1: THE HUNT

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Good luck on the sugar hunt this week!

During days 2-7 of this week, you will begin tracking how much sugar you are really eating.

Each day you will need to carefully evaluate everything you eat and drink to make sure none of the hidden sugars sneak by you. Use this Sugar Tracker throughout the day to track the sugar content. Then, at the end of each day, take your Tracker and apply your overall sugar intake to your week 1 Sugar Visual bag. Remember, **do not modify yet**-just learn and get your baseline.

IMPORTANT: For purposes of this Mini Challenge, you do not have to include the natural sugars that are in fresh, whole fruits and vegetables. You also can exclude frozen fruits and vegetables if there is no added sugar. However, if you have a medical condition, like diabetes, or you are already watching your added sugars and want to focus more on total sugars, go ahead and include them in your daily calculation. This program is designed to be flexible to meet your specific needs. Everyone will be starting from a different place, and only you will know your personal starting point.

Note some whole fruits and veggies have more natural sugars than others. Fruits and veggies with higher natural sugars include: bananas, beets, winter squashes (ex: butternut), corn, figs, peas, plantains, pineapple, potatoes (white & sweet) & dried fruits & veggies.

Please consult with your physician prior to starting any kind of diet, exercise or wellness program. This program is not intended to give medical, nutritional or wellness advice.

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WEEK: 1

DAY: 1

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