Grade 2

Focus on Fruits and Vary Your Veggies

Math Objectives
- Develop fluency with multi-digit addition and subtraction through 999 using multiple strategies.
- Identify, describe, translate and extend repeating and growing patterns.

Teacher Resources
- What foods are in the fruit group?
- What foods are in the vegetable group?
- Fruit and Veggie Nutrients
- Making Sense of Fruit and Veggie Nutrients
- Fruit and Veggie Colors
- Focus on Fruits
- Vary Your Veggies
- MyPyramid for Kids
- Anatomy of MyPyramid
- Teaching MyPyramid

Handouts
- Vegetable Menu
- Boxing Up Fruits and Veggies
- Which Fruit

Focus
Ask students to brainstorm a list of fruits and veggies that they eat. Trigger responses from the students by asking their favorites: ones they like raw, cooked, on pizza or from the garden. Record their responses on the board. Ask students why they think it is important to eat lots of fruits and veggies every day.

Teacher Input
Using the teacher resources What foods are in the fruit group?, What foods are in the vegetable group?, Fruit and Veggie Nutrients, Making Sense of Fruit and Veggie Nutrients, Fruit and Veggie Colors and all three MyPyramid resources, talk to students about the importance of eating fruits and veggies every day.

Talking points:
- Eating a lot of fruits and veggies every day helps us stay healthy.
- Fruits and veggies are excellent sources of many nutrients, including vitamins A and C, potassium and fiber.
- Vitamin A keeps eyes and skin healthy and helps to protect against infections.
- Vitamin C helps heal cuts and wounds and keeps teeth and gums healthy.
- Fiber keeps food moving through the digestive tract.
• Most fruits and veggies are naturally low in fat and calories and do not contain cholesterol.
• MyPyramid tells us how many fruits and veggies we need to eat every day. In general, about half of the food we eat in a day should be fruits and veggies.

The teacher resources Fruit and Veggie Nutrients, Making Sense of Fruit and Veggie Nutrients, Focus on Fruit and Vary Your Veggies can be used to help students identify good sources of vitamin A, vitamin C and fiber noted on their fruit and veggie list. Expand the students’ knowledge of vitamin A-, vitamin C- and fiber-rich fruits and veggies by listing several additional examples from each category.

**Practice and Assessment**

Distribute the Vegetable Menu, Boxing Up Fruits and Veggies and Which Fruit? handouts and instruct students to complete them.
Joshua has $1.00 to spend on vegetables. He wants to buy as many servings as he can with his money. Read the Vegetable Menu. What four combinations of vegetables can he buy? List four possible choices in the charts. How much change will he receive from his $1.00 in each of the choices? Show your work in the charts!

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   **carrots**

2. Which vegetable has lots of fiber?  
   **corn or peas**

3. Which vegetable has vitamin A and vitamin C?  
   **broccoli**
Ashley is packing a box of fruits and vegetables.
She is arranging them in a pattern.
F stands for fruits and V stands for vegetable.
Fill in the box for Ashley by placing a F or a V in the spaces.

Complete the box using the fruits and vegetables in the pattern. Answer these questions after the box is filled in. Show your work!

1. How many pieces of fruit will be in the box when it is full?

2. How many vegetables will be in the box when it is full?

3. How many fruits AND vegetables in all will be in the box when it is full?

4. Are there more fruits or vegetables in the box?
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Complete the box using the fruits and vegetables in the pattern. Answer these questions after the box is filled in. Show your work!

1. How many pieces of fruit will be in the box when it is full?

9 fruits

2. How many vegetables will be in the box when it is full?

21 vegetables

3. How many fruits AND vegetables in all will be in the box when it is full?

5 x 6 = 30 pieces total or
6 + 6 + 6 + 6 + 6 = 30 or
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4. Are there more fruits or vegetables in the box?

vegetables
Four friends, Michael, Pedro, Andy and Hassan are eating their favorite fruit. Each person has a different favorite fruit. Use the clues to match the person with his favorite fruit. If a choice can be eliminated by reading the clues, write **NO** in the space on the chart. Write **YES** in the correct place on the chart to identify each person’s favorite fruit.

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3. Hassan sat next to his friend who had a red fruit.
4. Pedro sat next to his friend who had a fruit that had three syllables in its name.
5. The name of Hassan’s fruit is not a compound word.
6. Michael enjoys watching his friend eat a grapefruit.
7. Andy likes to squeeze his fruit and get the juice out.
8. The name of Andy’s fruit is not a compound word.
9. Michael sat next to his friend who has a fruit with an orange-colored peel.
10. Andy’s fruit was smaller than Pedro’s fruit.

QUESTIONS:

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QUESTIONS:
1. Which fruit has fiber?  
   apple, orange or grapefruit

2. Which fruit has vitamin C?  
   orange or grapefruit
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My Fruit and Veggie Goals

English Language Arts Objectives
- Use phonic knowledge and structural analysis (e.g., knowledge of syllables, suffixes, prefixes and root words) to decode regular multi-syllable words when reading text.
- Use text for a variety of functions, including literary, informational and practical.
- Explain and describe new concepts and information in own words.
- Use oral communication to identify, organize and analyze information.

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- What foods are in the fruit group?
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- Fruit and Veggie Colors
- Focus on Fruits
- Vary Your Veggies

Handouts
- My Fruit and Veggie Snack
- Eat More Fruits and Veggies
- My Fruit and Veggie Goals

Focus
Ask students to think about the fruits and veggies that they have eaten as part of the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable program at school. Ask them which fruits and veggies they really liked. Ask them why they liked those fruits and veggies. Have students brainstorm other ways they could eat more fruits and veggies other than for their school snack. Write their responses on the board. Some ideas include: ask parents to buy them, help parents to fix them, order them at restaurants, eat them for school lunch, eat them at a friend or relative’s house, eat them at breakfast, or dinner and eat them for snacks when at home.

Teacher Input
Using the teacher resources What foods are in the fruit group?, What foods are in the vegetable group?, Fruit and Veggie Nutrients, Making Sense of Fruit and Veggie Nutrients and Fruit and Veggie Colors, remind students about the importance of eating a variety of fruits and veggies every day. Focus on Fruits, Vary Your Veggies and Fruit and Veggie Nutrients can be used to review examples of good fruit and veggie sources of vitamin A, vitamin C and fiber. Talk with students about setting goals to eat more fruits and veggies.
Talking points:

- Set realistic and achievable goals. For example, if only corn and apple juice are accepted at this time, try adding just one new fruit this week.
- Take one step at a time. No one expects a complete change in eating habits to happen overnight. Try making one new, positive change and then continue to make gradual changes over time.

**Practice and Assessment**

After the class has had the fruit or veggie snack for the day, distribute the *My Fruit and Veggie Snack* and *Eat More Fruits and Veggies* handouts and instruct students to complete them. Next, distribute the *My Fruit and Veggie Goals* handout. Review the goal of eating more fruits and veggies and instruct students to complete the handout. Have each student share orally with the class his/her fruit or veggie goal.
1. What did you have for your school snack today?
2. Was it a fruit or a vegetable?
3. How did it taste?
4. What was the texture?
5. What color was the outside?
6. What color was the inside?
   - under the ground
   - above the ground
   - on a vine
   - on a bush
   - in a tree
8. Does it have vitamin A?
9. Does it have vitamin C?
10. Does it have fiber?
1. Find: squash, apple, yams, orange, celery, banana, broccoli, pear, peas, grapes, eggplant, kiwi, carrots and prunes. The words can read up, down or across from left to right or right to left.

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2. Which of these fruits and veggies have you tasted for your fruit and veggie snack at school?
Name______________________________

My Fruit and Veggie Goals

1. Circle the names of the fruits you have eaten.

   Apple     Banana     Grape     Orange     Lime
   Kiwifruit Cantaloupe Plum     Peach     Lemon
   Pineapple Blueberry Raspberry Strawberry Guava
   Blackberry Pear     Cranberry Grapefruit Papaya
   Watermelon Mango    Cherry    Nectarine Honeydew Melon

2. Write the names of fruits you would like to try.

3. How will you eat these fruits?

4. Circle the names of vegetables you have eaten.

   Corn     Celery     Carrot     Lettuce     Cucumber
   Peas     Potato    Squash     Zucchini     Green Onion
   Onion    Radish    Rutabaga  Turnip      Beet
   Pumpkin  Asparagus Green Pepper Green Beans Artichoke
   Cabbage  Cauliflower Broccoli  Mushroom Collard Greens

5. Write the names of vegetables you would like to try.

6. How will you eat these vegetables?