How Big is a portion for one and two-year-olds?

Fruit and vegetables



For example

5 per day

1/2 cooked sliced apple 1 thsp canned fruit 1 thsp cooked vegetables

5 quartered grapes 4 carrot sticks

Bread, rice potatoes, pasta



4 per 1 slice of bread 3 thsp dry cereal 1 small boiled potat

3 thsp cooked pasta 2 thsp cooked rice

Milk and dairy products



3 per 1 small cup of milk 1 thsp unsweetene yoghurt

2 small sticks of hard cheese 3 tbsp custard

Meat, fish, eggs and beans



2-3 per 1 small slice chicken 2 thsp fish in sauce 1 egg

1 tbsp beans or lentils

Meals and snacks should have a mix of these four food groups

How Big is a portion?

Use your child's hand size as a measure

Two half fingers for amilk and dairy products

Cupped palm for fruit and vegetables

Balled hand for bread, rice potatoes and pasta

Open palm for meat, fish, eggs and beans

Remember to offer water with meals!