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- · Pack ready-to-eat fruits and vegetables for a convenient snack on the go.
- Put ready-to-eat raw vegetables in a clear container at the front of your refrigerator.
- Keep a day's supply of fresh or dried fruit handy on the table or counter.
- Enjoy fruits as a naturally sweet end to a meal.
- Mix fruits or vegetables with other foods in salads, casseroles, soups and sauces.

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