

## What do these foods have in common?

Brown rice, bagels, macaroni noodles, tortillas, and cereal?

Answer: They are all a part of the grain food group.





## What is a Whole Grain?

A grain is a tiny seed that comes from plants like wheat, rice, corn, and oats. When these seeds are harvested from the field they go to a mill and are ground up into very little pieces to make a soft flour. Flour is then used for baking. At home it can be mixed together with water and other ingredients to make grain foods like bread, crackers, pretzels and pancakes.





## Why are Whole Grain foods important?

- •Grains give your body energy so you don't feel tired or cranky.
- Whole grains have fiber, which keeps your tummy healthy and working the way it should.
- •They also give you minerals like magnesium to help make your bones and muscles strong.
- •Don't forget the B vitamins they're like brain boosters that help you focus and remember things.

When you are shopping that the store be sure to pick grain foods that are labeled 100% Whole Grain. **COLOR ME!** 

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