# Intermittent Fasting

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\*It doesn't specify which foods you should eat but rather when you should eat them.

\* It's currently very popular in the health and fitness community

\*It is an effective way to lose weight and stay healthy and fit

#### 1. The 16/8 Method: Fast for 16 hours each day.

- \*It is very important to eat mostly healthy foods during your eating window
- \*You can drink water, coffee and other non-caloric beverages during the fast, and this can help reduce hunger levels.
- \*you can fit in 2-3 or more meals.

#### 2. The 5:2 Diet: Fast for 2 days per week.

\*involves eating normally 5 days of the week, while restricting calories to 500-600 on two days of the week.

### 3. Eat-Stop-Eat: Do a 24-hour fast, once or twice a week

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#### 4. Alternate-Day Fasting: Fast every other day.

\*It literally means fasting every other day. Some who tried this consumed 500 calories during fasting days. However, this method is not advisable for beginners.

## 5. The warrior diet: fast during the day and eat a huge meal at night

eating small amounts of raw fruits and veggies during the day. At night, a person should eat a huge meal.

#### 6. Skipping Meals

\*This method is simply skipping meals from time to time like if a person is not hungry or is too busy to cook and eat.

# the benefits of intermittent fasting

- weight loss
- A lower risk of type 2 diabetes
- improved markers of health
- a reduced risk of chronic health conditions
- improved brain health