# **Habit Take 15 minutes to eat**

Track your success for 14 consecutive days.

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
DAY 8	DAY 9	DAY 10	DAY 11	DAY 12	DAY 13	DAY 14

## WHY DO I NEED TO EAT SLOWLY?

- It takes about 20 minutes for your brain to get the "I'm full" memo.
- You'll digest food better avoiding upset stomach, diarrhea and bloating.
- You'll relax by taking a break from your busy schedule.
- You'll be happier and more satisfied. If it's over too fast, there is little room for pleasure.

## **HOW DO I SLOW DOWN MY EATING?**

Try these strategies to help you slow down:

- · Set aside a time to eat.
- Use smaller plates you'll slow down and eat less without even realizing it.
- Put down your utensils between bites.
- Become curious about food tastes and textures.
- · Eliminate distractions while you eat

# What to do now?

01.

## **USE A NEW STRATEGY TO EAT MORE SLOWLY**

Try a new strategy each day – until you find one that works for YOU.

02.

#### FOCUS. PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT'S IN FRONT OF YOU

When you eat, eat. Enjoy it. Savor it. If you're eating with other people, enjoy their company.

03.

### **ELIMINATE DISTRACTIONS**

No TV, Internet, books, magazines, phones – just you (and your friends/family), a small plate and some high quality food.

04.

### TRACK YOUR PROGRESS

- Give yourself an "X" for each day you take 15 minutes or longer to eat.
- Give yourself an "O" for any day you do not.