

Anita grows gardeners and annette opens people's eyes about food and the value of real food



We live in an obesogenic environment

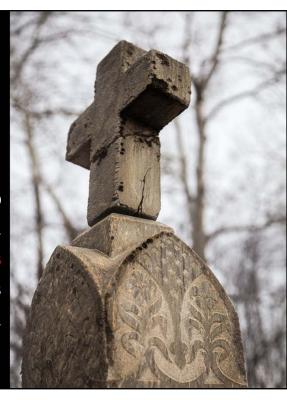


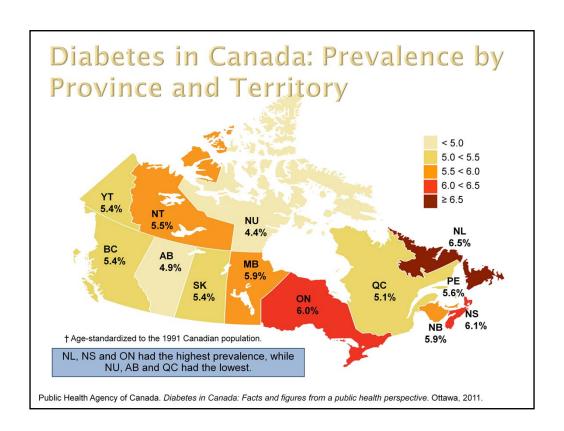
Where it is easy to do what's not good for us and hard to do what is good for us



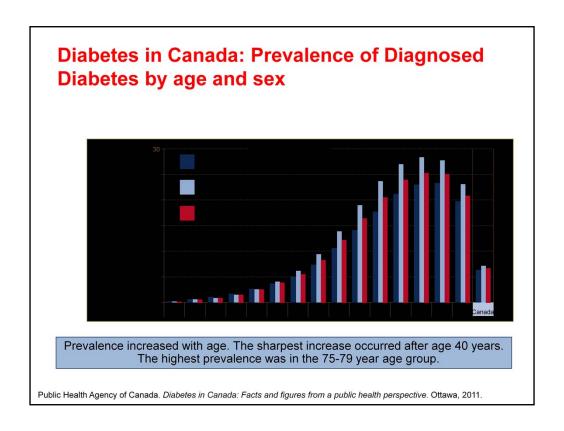
We have a flood of food like substances like no other time in history but all of our behaviours seem like we still in a world which has regular and seasonal food shortages. This old world rewarded people people with food so that whenever there was a special occasion food was involved. Whenever there was a holiday or festival food was involved and the result is that we have problems because we do not know how to live in a world with excess food. It's kind of like comparing the information age today to the middle ages. In those days there was not enough information, people didn't have books and most people were not educated. Today on the other hand, we have too much information and the coping strategy is to protect yourself from too much by using spam filters, refusing to answer your phone or signing onto information that you truly want. The result is that the information is manageable. What we need is really a spam filter of sorts to protect us from the abundance of the crappy food but allow us access to the good stuff. This is much like avoiding the commercials/ads but more often than not we don't actively work to The result is a flood of diet related diseases. Obesity, high blood protect ourselves. pressure, heart disease, stroke and various types of cancer. What are the chances that you are not going to get wet?

Cause of Death	
Total odds of dying (any cause)	1 in 1
Heart Disease	
Cancer	
Stroke	1 in 23
MVA	1 in 100
Suicide	1 in 121
Falling down	1 in 246
Firearm	1 in 325
Fire or smoke	1 in 111

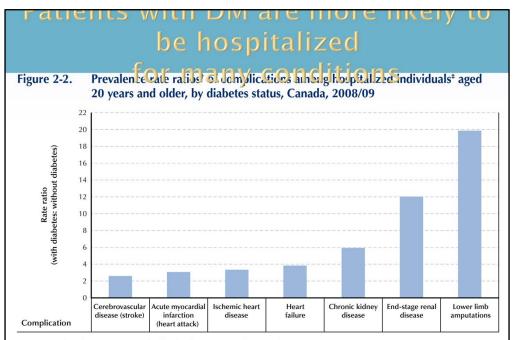




The incidence of diabetes is soaring



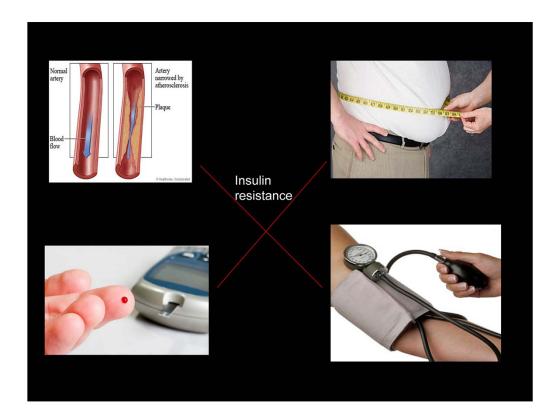
The older you get, the likelier you are to be diabetic but it doesn't have to be this way



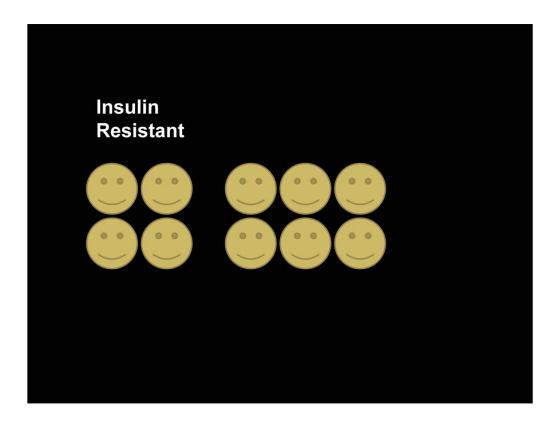
- † Rate ratios based on rates age-standardized to the 1991 Canadian population.
   ‡ A person with diabetes hospitalized with more than one complication was counted once in each category, except for cases of acute myocardial infarction, where regardless of multiple counts in the acute myocardial infarction category, the individual was counted

Victor 59 years old Type 2 Diabetes	Reorganize his history  He has EVERY complication of Diabetes That is what we need to avoid
Macrovascula TIA 2005 Stroke 2006	Microvascular  Retinopathy 2004
ACS 2001 Bypass 2001 MI 2003	CKD 2002  Neuropathy 2003
MI 2004 PAD 2002 Ischemic Toe	s Amputation 2004

This is a typical diabetic. We used to think that heart disease, blindess, high cholesterol, obesity, kidney disease were all different diseases. What we know now is that they are all related to the food we eat



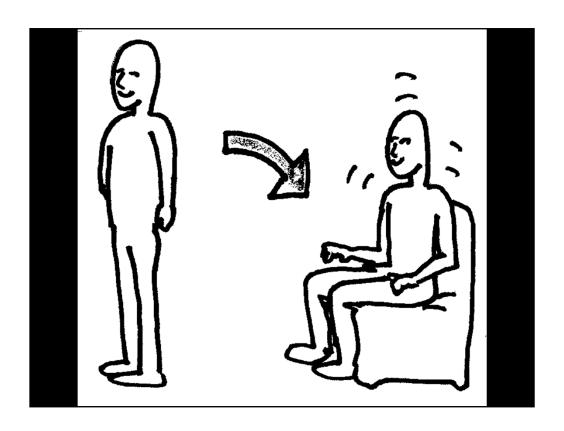
We used to think that these were separate health problems but it turns out that they all have one thing in common. Body makes lots of insulin but it doesn't work properly, so it makes more and eventually the pancreas is burned out. Causes of insulin resistance: obesity, physical deconditioning, high calorie diet from sugar, fat and alcohol



4/10 people. Not 4/10 obese. Not 4/10 elderly. 4/10 of the total population is already insulin resistant right now.

Kelly's story about Dominique. Ok, it's hard to do these things and take care of my health and basically accepted he would die earlier. It isn't actually about that. There are worse things than death. Imagine the progression on your health as the effects of diabetes have on his health. Impotence, peripheral neuropathy, heard disease simmering, cancer simmering, retinopathy, kidney disease, GI problems.

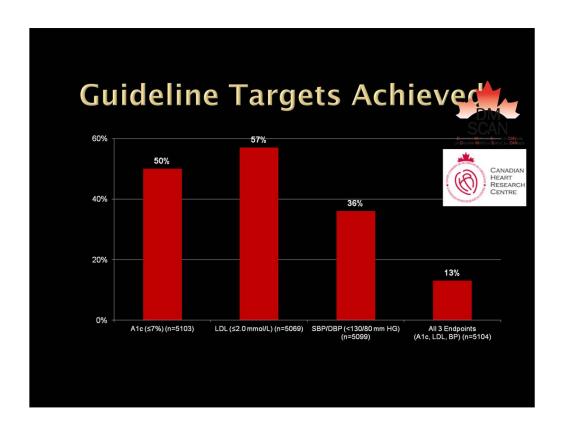
Don't know which one you are going to have. By now I should have completely bored you and if you are like most people you will have turned off and because you are polite will tolerate what I have to say as you start thinking about what you're going to do tomorrow. Stand up



Everyone stand up. Sit down if you or someone in your family has any of these conditions

Diabetes or high blood sugar High cholesterol High triglycerides High blood pressure Heart disease Fatty liver Breast cancer Colon cancer Prostate cancer

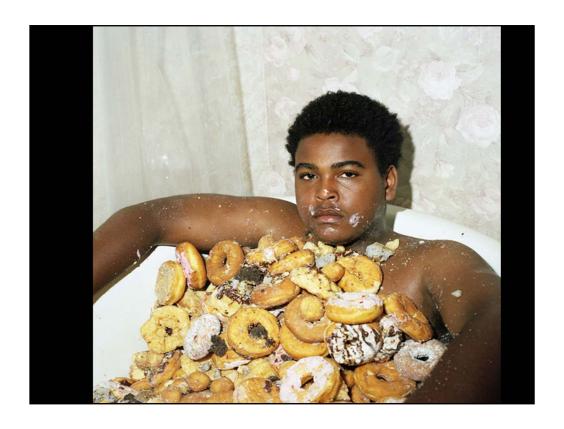
Those left standing don't have a lot to worry about YET



If you think that a little white pill is going to fix you this slide should serve as a wake up call.



So how is food related to your ealthWhat did you eat yesterday? Where did the food come from? Does it even matter what you eat?



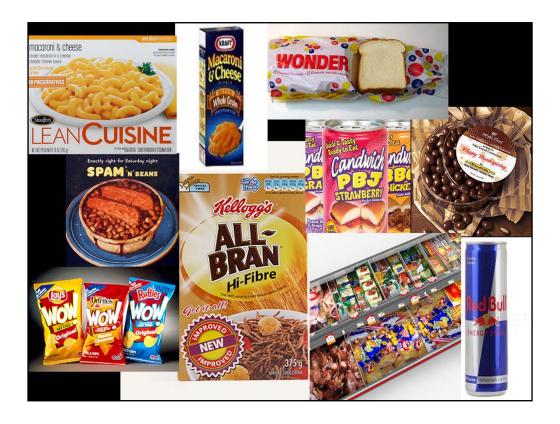
What do we get too much of in our diet?



Salt, sugar and fat, too many omega 6 fats and xs calories



Salt calculator



What do these foods have in common? Where do these "bad" nutrients come from? What do all of these pictured products have in common? They are made, not grown. They are processed food. That's where you find the preservatives, the artificial colors, the artificial flavors, the things you can't pronounce. You find it in a very concentrated form in which the food is calorie rich, but nutrient poor. It is also where you find all the sugar, salt and fat – nutrients that we don't need in anywhere the quantities we've been getting but are hard wired to like because of a historical shortage over the millenia as we were evolving. It wasn't until the green revolution in the 1930s that we even had enough food to eat consistently andd quite honestly, we are not able to cope very well. Th



Why do we buy these products if we know they aren't good for us.



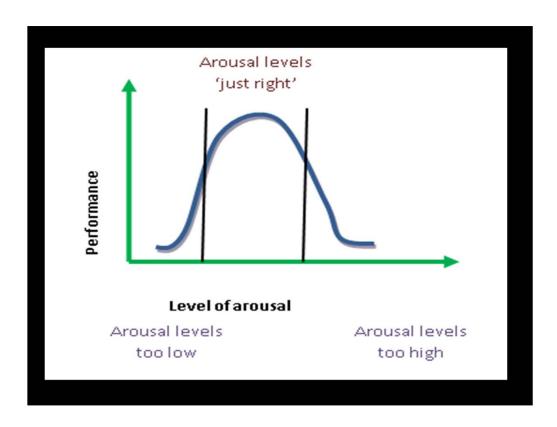
We are time poor. We have too many conflicting things to do and we have been sold on the idea that cooking is drudgery and eating is the only thing in the equation that is worth spending time on. I believe that it is this attitude – that it is not worth the time to eat well that underlies many of the problems we have around food



The average grocery store has 60,000 items and we know that the more variety we have, the more we consume, the more choices we have the worse our decisions and the more decisions we make in a day, the less willpower we have

Temptation usually comes in through a door that has been deliberately left open

**Arnold Glasow** 



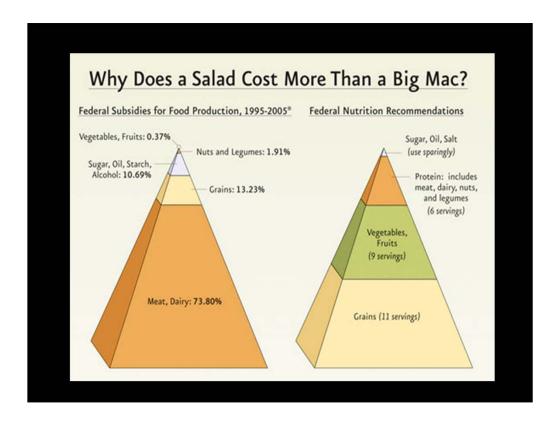
In the book salt, sugar and fat, author Michael Moss refers to what the food industry tries to achieve – a bliss point. That range of attributes in a food product that makes you want to keep going back for more each time. Coke apparently has this mastered.

## willpower is a finite resource

It's not your fault. The system is set up for you to fail by tempting you constantly with foods high in sugar, salt, fat and flavor. It isn't your fault, but it is your problem because you have to deal with it in order to get or stay healthy, despite the environment we live in.



Not only is processed food cheaper (which is backwards to the way it was many years ago) Rotissery chicken example, the cost of healthy food is actually decreasing while the cost of junk food is actually going down.



**US** subsidies



It's the taste we have learned to expect.



What deficiencies do we suffer from?

Vitamin D
Vitamin K
Potassium
Magnesium
Vitamin E
Omega 3 fatty acids

Consequences of the deficiency depend on which vitamins you are missing. Where do you get these nutrients from?

 $D-sunshine \ and \ fatty \ fish, \ \ K-fruits \ and \ veggies, \ potassium-fruits \ and \ veggies, \ Mg/E-whole \ grains$ 

Omega 3s - grass fed animals, fish, flax



Will supplements fix the deficiency? Many people think that they can just fix a potential problem by taking an insurance policy. Food is more than the sum of its parts and recent research has suggested that there may actually be more problems and increased rates of death by taking certain vitamins. Do we know which ones to take, what we are deficient in and how much to supplement? How are you different from the guy sitting beside you?



What if I told you there was a simple solution to these problems, as well as the problems of obesity, hunger, pollution, environmental degradation



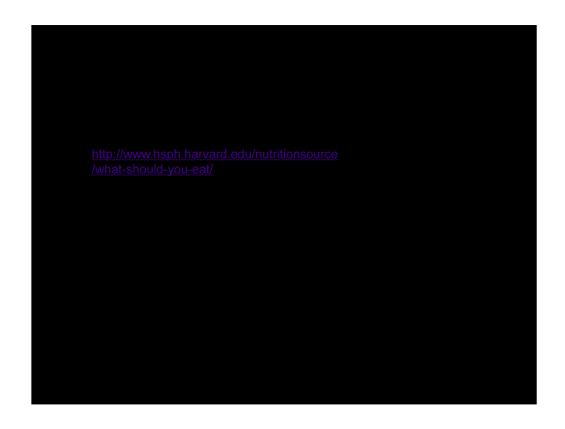
Anita's story at the home and garden show. Anita says Permaculture is the way we can fix the broken food system. The lady says "yes, isn't it terrible, someone should do something". We, not them. We can be the someone. Both Anita and I do this – go out and talk to people because we understand that there is no someone out there. There really is no such thing as them, or they or it even. There is only us and we have to do something. It is in our power to change the world.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

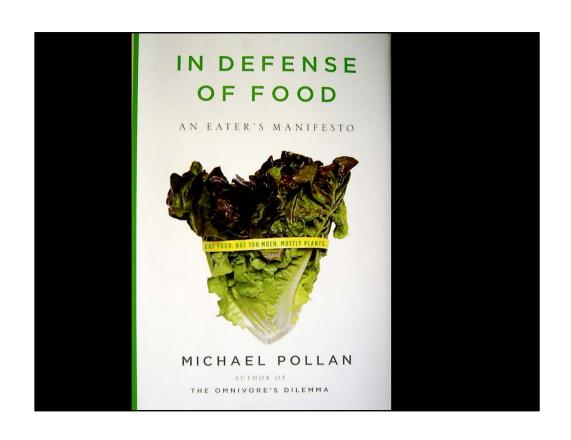
Margaret Mead



What about the govt? A known outspoken blogger calls the government's response to this incredible flood as being akin to encouraging people who are drowning to taking swimming lessons without really addressing the fact that the waves are getting bigger, the water is coming faster and there are corporate interests who have their fingers on the tap.

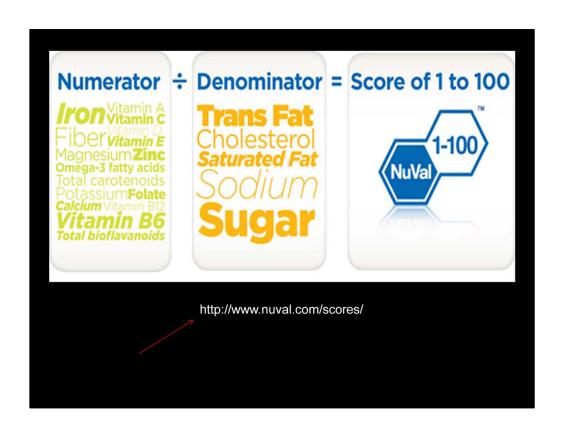


So what should you do? What should you eat?





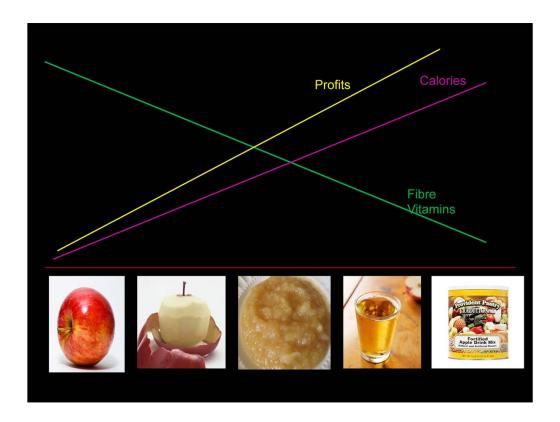
What does 2000 calories look like?



## Set yourself up to SUCCEEC

Buy only the things you want to eat

Analyze the barriers to healthy eating -



You moving along the continuum is good- don't set yourself up to fail by trying to do it all perfectly. Add one fruit per day, then add a vegetable -1,2,3 goal.

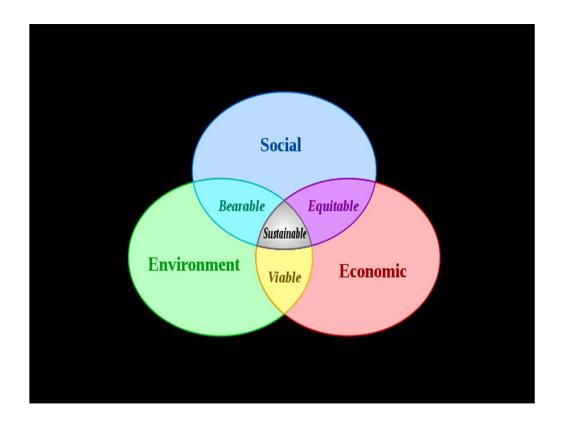


Can you guess which city you are in based on these two pictures?

The erosion of culture. Food is about culture



So what can you do? Local food is different everywhere.



I have talked about the why, Anita will talk about the what and the how