Military Diet Food list

General Guidelines

- Beverages: Water should be the primary drink. Unsweetened coffee and tea are allowed.
- **Seasonings:** Minimal use of salt, pepper, lemon juice, and herbs for flavoring.
- Portion Sizes: Adhere strictly to portion sizes and meal compositions.

Important Notes

- 1. **Nutrition:** This diet is low in calories and might not provide sufficient nutrients.
- 2. **Health Risks:** Consult a healthcare professional before starting this or any other diet, especially if you have health concerns.
- 3. Sustainability: This is not a long-term diet plan but a quick fix for short-term weight loss.

Portions

Day 1

· Breakfast:

- Grapefruit: Substitute with 1/2 teaspoon of baking soda in a glass of water, or another piece of fruit (preferably another citrus fruit).
- Toast: Whole grain is best, but can be substituted with whole grain cereal, a protein bar, or sunflower seeds (for gluten-free options).
- Peanut Butter: Any nut butter or hummus.
- Coffee or Tea: Preferably with caffeine; can be taken black or with Stevia.

• Lunch:

- Tuna: Lean meat or tofu for vegetarians. Cottage cheese is another option.
- Toast: Same as breakfast substitutions.

• Dinner:

- Meat: Any lean meat. For vegetarians, lentils, beans, or tofu.
- Green Beans: Any green vegetable like spinach, lettuce, or broccoli.
- · Banana: Kiwi, apricot, or grapes.
- Apple: Plums, peaches, or zucchini.
- Vanilla Ice Cream: Fruit flavored yogurt or apple juice.

Day 2

• Breakfast:

- Egg: One cup of milk, chicken wing, or 1/4 cup of seeds/nuts.
- Banana: Same as Day 1 substitutions.

• Lunch:

- Egg: Same as breakfast.
- · Cottage Cheese: Cheddar cheese, eggs, ham, or tofu.
- Saltine Crackers: Rice cakes or gluten-free crackers.

• Dinner:

- Hot Dogs: Bratwurst, tofu dogs, turkey dogs, or deli meat.
- Broccoli: Cauliflower, spinach, or brussels sprouts.
- Carrots: Bell pepper, parsnips, or beets.
- Banana: Same as Day 1 substitutions.
- Vanilla Ice Cream: Same as Day 1 substitutions.

Day 3

· Breakfast:

- Cheddar Cheese: Cottage cheese, egg, or ham.
- Apple: Same as Day 1 substitutions.

• Lunch:

• Egg: Same as Day 2 substitutions.

• Dinner:

- Tuna: Same as Day 1 lunch substitutions.
- Banana: Same as Day 1 substitutions.
- Vanilla Ice Cream: Same as Day 1 substitutions.

Shopping List

Fruits

- Grapefruit (or an alternative citrus fruit like oranges)
- Bananas
- Apples
- Kiwi, apricot, or grapes (as substitutes for bananas)

• Plums, peaches, or zucchini (as substitutes for apples)

Vegetables and Greens

- Green vegetables (like spinach, lettuce, broccoli, cauliflower, or brussels sprouts)
- Carrots (or alternatives like bell pepper, parsnips, or beets)

Proteins

- Tuna (canned)
- Lean meats (like chicken or turkey)
- Eggs
- Cottage cheese (or cheddar cheese as a substitute)
- Tofu or other vegetarian protein sources (like lentils or beans)
- Nut butter or hummus (as a substitute for peanut butter)
- · Hot dogs, bratwurst, tofu dogs, or deli meat

Grains and Bread

- Whole grain bread (or whole grain cereal, a protein bar, or sunflower seeds for gluten-free options)
- Saltine crackers (or rice cakes or gluten-free crackers as substitutes)

Dairy and Desserts

- Vanilla ice cream (or fruit-flavored yogurt or apple juice as substitutes)
- Milk (as a substitute for eggs)
- Cheddar cheese (or ham as a substitute)

Beverages

- Coffee (with or without caffeine)
- Tea (green or black, with or without caffeine)
- Water

Additional Items

- Baking soda (as a substitute for grapefruit)
- Seeds or nuts (as a substitute for eggs)
- Seasonings like salt, pepper, lemon juice, and herbs for flavoring