# How2adult

Quick tips 2 get your life together





## How2eat healthy

- · Eat 5 portions of fruit and veg a day
- · Plan and prep meals
- · Bulk cook and freeze
- Cook for friends
- · Don't shop when you're hungry
- · Buy own label brands
- Drink lots of water



## How2eat 5 a day

- 1 x apple/ banana/ orange
- 7 x Strawberries
- 2 x Broccoli Trees
- 3 x Heaped tablespoon of cooked veg (sweetcorn, carrots)



## How2keep fit

- · Take the stairs, not the lift
- · Just walk
- · Get involved with your local park run
- · Join a sports team or club
- · Make it fun
- · Install a tracker or pedometer app
- · Set yourself a challenge



## How2sleep well

- Maintain a routine with regular bedtime and waking time
- Alcoholic and caffeine containing drinks should be avoided
- · Avoid sleeping in very warm rooms
- · Take daytime and not evening exercise
- · No daytime naps
- · No sleeping in to catch up
- · No strenuous mental activity at bed time
- Associate bed with sleep not TV, phones
- If unable to sleep, get up and do something and return to bed when tired



## How2manage money

#### **Budgeting**

- · Budget your weekly and monthly spend
- · Use an app (Revolt) to track your spending
- · Open a savings account for all that loose change
- · Use cash instead of card



## How2jargon bust

#### Your financial dictionary

- Overdraft O/D An amount of money that a customer is temporarily allowed to owe the bank, used when spending more money than is available
- Arrears When money you owe is overdue and you have missed one or more payments
- Cooling Off Period The period of time when someone can change their mind before you're stuck in a contract (usually 14 days)
- ISA Individual Savings Account
- Direct Debit (DD) Permission for an organisation to take money (variable amount) from your account on agreed dates
- Standing Order (S0) A regular fixed payment you set up to another person or organization on a set date
- Credit Rating Evaluation of a person's ability to keep up with payments based on your borrowing and repayment history
- Loan Agreement Made between you and a company when you borrow money
- Gross Pay All of your wages before your tax
- Net Pay Wages you receive after tax deductions
- Tax-free threshold If you earn less than approx.
  £11,500 you do not pay tax

# How2drink alcohol\* safely

#### Top tips

- · Don't go lone wolf, stay in groups/pairs
- · Have drink free days
- · Don't submit to peer-pressure
- · Be mindful of your personal limits
- · Don't leave drinks unattended
- Eat beforehand (Don't drink on an empty stomach)

\*over 18's



## How2stay safe online

#### Top tips

- · If you wouldn't do it face2face, don't do it online
- · Install antivirus software to all devices
- · Once you've written something you can't delete it
- Think before you post
- · Check privacy settings
- Set a difficult password, check yours at: howsecureismypassword.net



### How2contact

#### Booking a GP appointment

- · Phone/call in to the surgery
- Give them your name, address and date of birth
- Each GP will have a different process but if it's private and confidential don't be afraid to express this
- You can find the name of your nearest GP service on NHS direct



## How2reach out

#### Emergency and non-urgent

- For non-urgent health advice and information Google NHS direct for your area
- You should call 101 to report crime or any other concerns that don't require an emergency response. (car stolen/damage, suspected drug dealing). Less urgent than a 999 call
- · Call 999 in an emergency

#### Support and advice:

- www.childline.org.uk Call 0800 1111 for a range of help and advice
- www.youngminds.org.uk for support with mental health
- www.mind.org.uk for support with mental health
- · www.brook.org.uk for advice on sexual health
- www.samaritans.org for emotional support
- www.nyas.net for info, advice, advocacy and legal representation

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