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Diets high in (1) _______ fats and cholesterol increase the **risk** of heart disease. These diets raise the level of cholesterol found in the bloodstream. This increases the chances that cholesterol and other fatty deposits will be deposited on (2) ______ vessel walls, reducing blood flow.

Some cholesterol in the body is **essential**. The amount of cholesterol in the blood is **determined by** how much your body produces and by the food you eat. Foods **high in** cholesterol include **egg yolks** and **organ meats** such as liver, shrimp, and lobster.

A more significant contributor to an (3) ______ blood-cholesterol level is saturated fat.

Saturated fats raise the blood cholesterol level by (4) _____ with the body's ability to remove cholesterol from the blood. Saturated fats are found in *beef, lamb, veal, pork, ham, whole milk,* and whole-milk products.

Rather than (5) ______ saturated fats and cholesterol from your diet, **limit your intake**. **Moderation** is the key. Make changes whenever possible. **Substitute** low fat or (6) _____ milk for whole milk and margarine for butter. **Trim** (7) _____ fat from meat and **broil** or bake instead of frying.

Substitute fish for red meat occasionally. Eat fruit and vegetables for snacks instead of (8) ______ or fast food. Read labels carefully. A "cholesterol free" product may actually be high in

saturated fat.

- 1) Saturation
- 2) Bleeding
- 3) Health
- 4) Interference
- 5) Elimination
- 6) Skimming
- 7) Vision
- 8) Pack