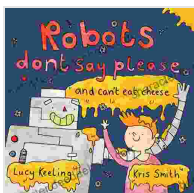


The Paradox of Lactose Intolerance: Can You Eat Cheese While Lactose Intolerant?



Lactose intolerance is a common digestive condition that affects millions of people worldwide. It occurs when the body is unable to digest lactose, a sugar found in milk and other dairy products. Symptoms of lactose intolerance can include bloating, gas, abdominal pain, and diarrhea.



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For many years, it was believed that people with lactose intolerance had to avoid all dairy products. However, recent research has shown that some people with lactose intolerance can tolerate small amounts of dairy products, including cheese.

What is Lactose Intolerance?

Lactose is a sugar found in milk and other dairy products. It is broken down into two simpler sugars, glucose and galactose, by an enzyme called lactase. Lactase is produced in the small intestine.

In people with lactose intolerance, the body does not produce enough lactase to break down all of the lactose in dairy products. This can lead to symptoms such as bloating, gas, abdominal pain, and diarrhea.

Can You Eat Cheese If You Are Lactose Intolerant?

The answer to this question is yes, but it depends on the type of cheese. Hard cheeses, such as cheddar, Swiss, and Parmesan, have very low levels of lactose. This means that people with lactose intolerance can usually tolerate these cheeses without experiencing any symptoms.

Soft cheeses, such as mozzarella, brie, and cream cheese, have higher levels of lactose. This means that people with lactose intolerance may experience symptoms after eating these cheeses.

How Much Cheese Can You Eat If You Are Lactose Intolerant?

The amount of cheese that a person with lactose intolerance can eat without experiencing symptoms varies from person to person. Some people can tolerate only a small amount of cheese, while others can tolerate more.

It is important to start with a small amount of cheese and gradually increase the amount until you find the limit of your tolerance. If you experience any symptoms after eating cheese, you should reduce the amount you are eating.

Tips for Eating Cheese If You Are Lactose Intolerant

If you are lactose intolerant, there are a few things you can do to make it easier to eat cheese:

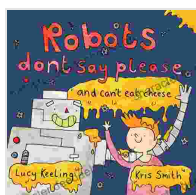
- * Choose hard cheeses over soft cheeses.
- * Start with a small amount of cheese and gradually increase the amount until you find the limit of your tolerance.
- * Eat cheese with other foods that contain lactose, such as milk or yogurt. This can help to slow down the digestion of lactose and reduce symptoms.
- * Take a lactase enzyme supplement before eating dairy products. This can help to break down the lactose in dairy products and reduce symptoms.

Lactose intolerance is a common digestive condition that can cause bloating, gas, abdominal pain, and diarrhea. However, many people with lactose intolerance can tolerate small amounts of dairy products, including cheese.

Hard cheeses, such as cheddar, Swiss, and Parmesan, have very low levels of lactose and are usually well-tolerated by people with lactose intolerance. Soft cheeses, such as mozzarella, brie, and cream cheese,

have higher levels of lactose and may cause symptoms in people with lactose intolerance.

If you are lactose intolerant, it is important to start with a small amount of cheese and gradually increase the amount until you find the limit of your tolerance. You can also take a lactase enzyme supplement before eating dairy products to help reduce symptoms.



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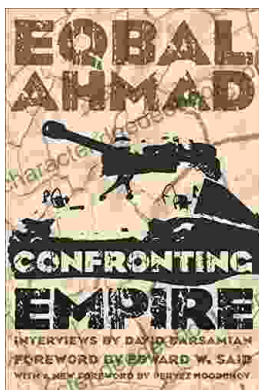
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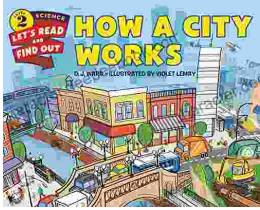
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