Chocolate Truffles
Makes ~ 24 truffles

**Ingredients:**
10-oz bag of dark chocolate chips (look for 60-70% cocoa)
3/4 cup heavy cream
Optional coating: toasted coconut, chopped nuts, cocoa powder, sprinkles

**Directions:**
1. Heat heavy cream in microwave or stovetop until almost boiling.
2. In a medium bowl, pour hot cream over chocolate chips. Whisk vigorously until chocolate chips melted through. Place bowl of melted chocolate in refrigerator for 1-2 hours.
3. Using 1-2 tablespoons, scoop small balls of chocolate truffle and roll in coatings of your choosing.

**Nutrition Tips:**
1. The more nutritious choice of chocolate is dark chocolate (at least 60-70% cocoa), as it is a good source of antioxidants.
2. Many recipes that call for milk chocolate can be modified to include ½ milk chocolate and ½ dark chocolate.
3. Keep in mind that consuming chocolate may contribute to heartburn or reflux symptoms.

**Source:**
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