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**30 MINUTES 4 SERVINGS** 

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- 1/2 cup red onion, diced
- 1/4 cup unsalted sunflower seeds
- 1/2 cup low-fat feta cheese, crumbled
- 1 tbsp tomato paste
- 2 tbsp red wine vinegar
- 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 1/4 tsp garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp sugar
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- 2.In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook pasta, stirring occasionally, until al dente according to package directions. Drain and let cool
- 3. Cut the broccoli florets off the stems, and then roughly chop florets into small pieces. Dice red onion
- 4.In a large bowl, combine pasta, broccoli, red onion, sunflower seeds, and crumbled feta. Slowly pour the vinaigrette over the salad and toss to combine.
- 5. Serve immediately or refrigerate until ready to eat





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