

READING AND COMPREHENSION

Food: fuel or pleasure? Match questions with answers.

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- a) Not at home. I think most of the food I cook is healthy, but occasionally when I eat out I have something unhealthy, but it doesn't worry me.
 - b) Sometimes I get fast food for lunch. I have to admit that I love French fries. I feel terrible about it afterwards, but I don't do it very often.
 - c) I think people are trying to improve their diets, but they're doing it the wrong way, by following diets like the Atkins diet. Personally, I don't think it's very healthy to cut out entire groups of foods like carbohydrates.
 - d) I usually have a bowl of cereal or toast for breakfast. For lunch I eat at a restaurant near my office. I prefer Japanese or Indian food. I usually eat rice with fish and vegetables, soup or sushi. I don't eat meat, but I eat a lot of fish. In the evening, I just have something light at home.
 - e) Not really. I enjoy certain kinds of food, but most meals are just fuel to keep me going through the day
 - f) I think people's diets are getting worse and worse. It's quite strange because we have a lot of information now about how bad fast food is for you. I'm afraid it's a problem in a lot of European countries.
 - g) Not very often. I don't have the time or talent to cook full meals. I usually heat up a frozen meal or order a takeaway.
 - h) I'm quite traditional and I have three main meals a day. For breakfast, I like hot chocolate, and bread and butter with honey or jam. For lunch, I often eat in a restaurant with my colleagues. I usually have vegetables and meat or fish but I love pasta and rice too. In the afternoon, I have fruit with biscuits or a piece of chocolate. In the evening, I have a proper meal with my family.
 - i) I am trying to cut down on the amount of fat I eat. I'm also trying to eat more wholemeal bread.
 - j) Yes, I'm trying to eat less chocolate.
 - k) Yes, I cook every evening for my family. I often make soup or traditional French dishes like 'boeuf bourgignon', which is a kind of beef and red wine stew, and then we have cheese and salad. It may seem a lot but we don't eat big portions. What's important for me is quality, not quantity.
 - l) Yes, definitely. For me good meals with the family make me happy.

