

2 USE OF ENGLISH Complete the article about food in Britain. Write one appropriate word in each gap.

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BEST OF BRITISH!

UNLIKE FRANCE OR ITALY, Britain is not famous for the quality of its food. And the truth is, British people are very keen ¹ _____ food from other countries. There are Indian and Chinese restaurants in nearly every town in ² _____ UK – and other types of international food are popular too. However, according to a recent survey, British people are also keen on traditional British food and usually have one ³ _____ two favourite British dishes.

A traditional Sunday lunch with roast beef and Yorkshire pudding is very popular, and so is a full English breakfast. (This is not just bacon and eggs, of course. It also includes sausages, tomatoes, mushrooms and toast.) Another favourite, ⁴ _____ survey says, is sausages and mashed potato – or ‘bangers and mash’, as people often call it.

Sometimes, favourite dishes have a connection with a special time or place, and often the food seems to taste better because ⁵ _____ that connection. For example, a hot pie is the perfect food when you’re watching a football match. But when you’re watching tennis at Wimbledon, you want a bowl ⁶ _____ strawberries and cream.

So what is the nation’s favourite British food, according to the survey? The answer is: fish and chips – especially take-away fish and chips in paper. And especially when you’re eating it by the sea!

5  4.20 Listen to the interview again. Circle the best answers.

- 1 Which kind of food from the 1970s do they discuss?
 - a nouvelle cuisine
 - b cuisines from other countries
 - c modern British cuisine
- 2 How is modern British cuisine different from other styles of cooking?
 - a It takes a new look at traditional recipes.
 - b The meals are very small.
 - c The recipes use traditional herbs and spices.
- 3 Which of these dishes is a Modern British cuisine recipe?
 - a traditional roast lamb
 - b duck with orange sauce
 - c duck with cherries or pistachio nuts
- 4 What extra information do some Modern British cuisine menus include?
 - a Which herbs and spices the food contains.
 - b Where the ideas for the dishes come from.
 - c How far away the ingredients come from