

High-tech Adventure



Instructions:

Six sentences have been removed from the text. Choose from the sentences A-G the one which best fits each gap (1-6). There is one extra sentence that you do not need to use.

On a recent trip to London, I decided to visit some exciting new restaurants that are using technology to change the way people dine out. My first stop was at an Italian restaurant in the city centre. 1 The manager must have noticed my confusion because he came up to me and explained that I could swipe my card at any of the food and drink stations in the restaurant, and that the card would record my order. No waiters necessary! I made my **selection** and then **handed** my card to the cashier. 2 My pasta was absolutely delicious, but, I must admit, I didn't enjoy having to carry my food up two flights of stairs!

3 When we arrived, I was surprised to discover that there were no paper menus; instead, the menus were beamed on to the touch screen surface of the table with projectors. All we had to do was **tap** on our choices with our fingers and wait for the waiters to bring us our meal. 4 We had so much fun playing games that we hardly touched our food when it arrived – we really should have told the waiter to give us takeaways instead!

Another restaurant that I visited in London was an Indian restaurant. This restaurant also had touch screen tabletops, as well as another very interesting feature: a webcam which allowed me to see the cooks preparing the food in the kitchen! 5 I really enjoyed the evening, but I shouldn't have ordered the extra-spicy curry – it was a little too hot for me!

On my last day in London, I decided to get some tapas from a Spanish takeaway near my hotel. I had heard that the owners had installed a webcam at the restaurant to allow their customers to **view** the long lunchtime **queue** online. 6 While I packed my **baggage**, I kept an eye on the queue and then **raced** to the restaurant when the lunchtime rush was over. Without that wonderful webcam, I could have missed my plane!

I really can't wait for my next trip to London – high-tech dining is such fun!



Extracts

- A. The touch screen tabletop also allowed us to change virtual tablecloths and even play games!
- B. Once I'd paid for my meal, I collected it and made my way to the dining area on the second floor.
- C. On the next night, a friend of mine suggested that we visit her favourite high-tech restaurant.
- D. When I walked into the restaurant, I was given a tray and a chip card, but I had no idea what to do next!
- E. I was already used to high-tech dining so I was not impressed.
- F. After my meal, I used the touch screen to surf the Internet and to order a taxi to take me back to my hotel.
- G. This came in very handy for me.