

DANGEROUS FOODS?

Everyone knows that chopping onions can make you cry. It's because onions release a **toxic** gas when you cut them or fry them. When the gas gets into your eyes, your body produces tears to wash it out. So, next time you chop an onion, do it under a running tap. If you cut the onion under running water, the gas won't get into your eyes!

Did you know that peanuts are poisonous for dogs and can be very dangerous for humans too if you are allergic to them? Even the smallest piece of peanut can cause a very bad reaction. If one day you have an **allergic** reaction to a peanut, you will need to get to a hospital as quickly as you can!



The 'fugu' is the world's most poisonous fish – and it's also one of the most expensive! It's a **delicacy** in Japan, but eating the tiniest drop of the toxins in its **intestines** can kill you! Specially trained fugu chefs learn how to slice the fish very carefully to avoid any contamination. If you are ever in Japan and want to try fugu fish for yourself, you'll have to be very careful! You'll need to make sure you go to a restaurant that has a 'fugu certified' chef unless you want it to be your last supper!



FACT! In the Second World War, doctors used the water in green coconuts to replace blood plasma.

Reading Short online texts

- 1  Work with a partner. Look at the photos. What kind of food can you see in each image? How dangerous do you think they could be? Why?
- 2  1.40 Read the webpage. Order the food from the least dangerous to the most dangerous.
- 3 Read the webpage again. Copy and complete the table.

Food	Possible dangers	Advice
onions	They can make you ¹ when you chop them.	Chop them under ²
peanuts	They are poisonous for ³ and they can cause a bad ⁴ in some humans.	Get to a(n) ⁵ as soon as you can.
fugu fish	They are extremely ⁶	Only eat fugu fish that has been prepared by a(n) ⁷
garlic	It can give you a serious ⁸	Don't let it get in contact with your ⁹

Explore words in context

- 4  Match the highlighted words in the webpage with the definitions.

- 1 long tubes that take food from your stomach
- 2 a food which people think is very special
- 3 having an extreme reaction to specific types of food
- 4 poisonous
- 5 serious

Your turn

- 5 Ask and answer with your partner.

- 1 Are you going to change any of your eating habits after reading the article?
- 2 Would you try fugu fish? Why/Why not?
- 3 Do you know about any other foods that can be dangerous?

Garlic has a lot of positive qualities. Throughout history people have believed that it has powerful medicinal uses. It can also protect you from mosquito bites. I always get mosquito bites in summer, so when I go on holiday this year, I'll make sure I eat lots of garlic! But don't put fresh garlic on the bites! Fresh garlic is very strong and a slice of garlic can give you a **severe** burn if it is in contact with your skin!



Language focus 1 First conditional with *if*, *when* and *unless*

1 Complete the examples from the text.

Then match the missing words with the meanings (a–c).

- 1 you are ever in Japan and want to try fugu fish for yourself, you'll have to be very careful!
- 2 You'll need to make sure you go to a restaurant that has a 'fugu certified' chef you want it to be your last supper!
- 3 I go on holiday this year, I'll make sure I eat lots of garlic!

- a This introduces a situation in the future that you are sure is going to happen.
- b This introduces a situation that is possible in the future, but you're not sure it's going to happen.
- c This introduces a situation in the future that means the consequence won't happen.

2 Match the beginnings and the ends of the sentences.

1 When she finishes her exams,	a he may be really disappointed.
2 If he fails the exam,	b when I get home.
3 My mum won't let me go out	c she'll be so happy!
4 Unless you hurry up,	d I might call you.
5 I'll call you this evening	e unless I finish my homework.
6 If I get home before 10 pm,	f we'll miss the bus!



Get it right!

Don't use *will* after *if*, *when* or *unless*.

If you will eat too many carrots, your skin will turn a light orange colour! X

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1.41 Complete the conversation using *if*, *when* and *unless* or the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Then listen and check.

Julia: Hi Marie! How's the food going? Do you need any help?

Marie: Yes, please! ¹.... you ².... (finish) preparing these sandwiches, I ³.... (put) the drinks on the table.

Julia: Anything else?

Marie: Yes, ⁴.... the guests arrive, they'll need to put their coats somewhere. Do you think you can do that for me?

Julia: Yes, sure. We ⁵.... (put) them in your room, on the bed, ⁶.... you want me to put them somewhere else?

Marie: No, on the bed is great! Oh ... and ⁷.... I get my CD player, ⁸.... (you/choose) some CDs and put some music on in the living room?

Julia: Of course! A great party needs great music!

Your turn

4 Organise a special dinner for your friends. Use sentences with *if*, *when* and *unless*. Decide who will ...

- do the shopping.
- prepare the food.
- prepare the decorations.

If you make the starters, I'll prepare the main course.

When the starters are ready, I'll ...

I'll ..., unless you want to do it!