EATING OUT



1 Warm up

Discuss the following questions.

1. Have you ever eaten out on business? Where did you go?
2. What kind of food do you like to eat?
3. Is there any food that you do not like to eat?

2 Focus on vocabulary

Part A: Match the vocabulary to the definitions.

1. reservation (n)	a. food which is cooked on a metal structure over heat
2. tasty (adj.)	b. to eat less, or to eat only certain foods, because you want to lose weight
3. ingredient (n)	c. one of the things used to make a particular food
4. barbecue (n)	d. a unit to measure the amount of energy contained in a particular food
5. diet (v)	e. cook food by putting it in an oven at a high temperature
6. bake (v)	f. a situation when a seat on a plane or train, or a room at a hotel is saved for you
7. oven (n)	g. having a really good taste
8. calorie (n)	h. a section of a cooker with a door on the front where food can be heated or cooked

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Part B: Underline the correct number of syllables for each of the words in Part A.

1. reservation 4/5/6
2. tasty 1/2/3
3. ingredient 3/4/5
4. barbecue 2/3/4
5. diet 1/2/3
6. bake 1/2/3
7. oven 1/2/3
8. calorie 1/2/3

For all of the words of two syllables or more, underline the stressed syllable.

Part C: Using a dictionary, complete the following sentences with a different part of speech from the Part A word in brackets.

1. I'm very sorry, sir. You can't sit there. These tables are_____. (reservation)
2. You're just in time. The chicken will be_____in a few minutes and the drinks are over there. (barbecue)
3. Madam, can I ask if you have any special_____needs? (diet)
4. On our specials menu tonight is a cheese pasta_____for the vegetarians, and grilled beef for the meat eaters. (bake)
5. This ice cream is delicious but I think it's very_____. (calorie)
6. Come over later! We'll be drinking wine and_____the cheese that Sean brought back from France. (tasty)



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Now put the vocabulary from Part A into the following dialogue.

Simon Fowler: Mr Gonzales, I hope you have enjoyed meeting our team today and seeing the work we do here.

Eduardo Gonzales: I have. It's been very interesting and I have learned a lot.

Simon Fowler: As you are returning home tomorrow, I have made a _____[1] at a favourite restaurant of mine for 7pm this evening.

Eduardo Gonzales: Oh, that sounds wonderful. Thank you. I am quite hungry. I didn't have much time for lunch.

Simon Fowler: Oh, I'm sorry to hear that. Well, the food at this place is fantastic. It's always very _____[2] and they always use the freshest _____[3] which they buy locally. Can I ask if you are a vegetarian?

Eduardo Gonzales: I'm not.

Simon Fowler: Then you will love the _____[4] that they do there. You can watch them cook the food you choose. They have chicken, beef, lamb and fish.

Eduardo Gonzales: It sounds fantastic. I was _____[5], but I think maybe I will have a night off tonight. It would be wrong to miss the experience of eating good food while I'm travelling for business.

Simon Fowler: It would. Although, they have a very good dish which is chicken mixed with vegetables which they _____[6] slowly in the _____[7]. It's delicious and I don't think there are too many _____[8] in it. So that's an option for you if you want to watch your weight.

3 Reading comprehension

Read the following statements about the dialogue above and decide if they are true (T) or false (F).

1. Eduardo Gonzales is visiting Simon Fowler's office. _____
2. Simon has booked a restaurant he has been to before. _____
3. Eduardo had a lot to eat in the middle of the day. _____
4. The food at the restaurant is bought from a foreign country. _____
5. Eduardo doesn't eat meat. _____
6. You can order barbecued fish at the restaurant. _____
7. Eduardo is trying to lose weight. _____
8. Simon recommends some food which could make Eduardo fat. _____

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Listening for details

Part A: Look at the photographs of food. Listen to Eduardo and Simon in the restaurant. Which of the foods do they mention? Label the pictures.

bacon	bread roll	cheese burger	curry
garlic	honey	olive oil	yoghurt






1._____ 2._____ 3._____ 4. _____






5._____ 6._____ 7._____ 8. _____

Part B: Listen again. Which words do they use which mean the same as the following. The first letter is given to help you.

1. not tasting strong - m _____
2. tasting strong and making you feel hot - s _____
3. not being scared - b _____
4. to take something from being hot to less hot - c _____
5. to cook something by putting it in very hot oil - f_____
6. a kind of oven that heats food very quickly - m _____



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5 Useful phrases in a restaurant.

Write the following useful phrases in the correct order.

1. ready/you/to/are/order?

   _____

2. the/ side/ on

   _____

3. the beef/will/I/stick with

   _____

4. drink/you/like/would/anything/to

   _____

5. sir/you/and/what/about?

   _____

6. Red/house/glass/a/please/of?

   _____

7. order/I/dish/can/of/a?

   _____

8. draught/anything/you/on/have/do?

   _____

9. will/well/with/go/it

   _____

Now check your answers by listening to Part 2 of the conversation in the restaurant.



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6 Listening comprehension

Listen to Part 2 again and choose the best answer for the following questions.

1. What did Simon order for his main meal?
   a. barbecued fish
   b. barbecued beef
   c. barbecued chicken

2. What does Simon order with his meal?
   a. a glass of beer and fries on the side.
   b. a glass of white wine with salad on the side.
   c. a glass of red wine with salad on the side.

3. What is the special offer that the restaurant has?
   a. 35% off the barbecue beef
   b. 25% off the red wine
   c. 25% off the barbecue fish

4. What does Eduardo order for his main meal?
   a. a very spicy curry
   b. barbecued fish
   c. a mild curry

5. What beers does the restaurant have in bottles?
   a. Belgian and Mexican
   b. American and Mexican
   c. British and American

6. What does Eduardo order with his meal?
   a. a dish of yoghurt and a German beer on draught
   b. a dish of yoghurt and a Spanish beer on draught
   c. a side of yoghurt and a German beer in a bottle

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7 Talking point

Practise a role play with one of you as the customer and the other as the waiter/waitress. When you have finished, swap roles. Use the cards to help you.

Customer A

You want to order the following:

Main meal:	a cheese pasta bake or barbecued fish
Side:	a bread roll or a side salad
Drink:	a glass of house white wine or a glass of water

Customer B

You want to order the following:

Main meal:	a mild curry or barbecued beef
Side:	a side salad or fries
Drink:	a Spanish beer or a glass of orange juice

8 Extended activity

Talk about one of the best meal you have had in a restaurant.

Consider the following:

- Did you make a reservation?
- What did you order?
- What were the ingredients of the food?
- What did you order to drink?
- Who were you with?

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