

A disappointing meal at a restaurant

My husband and I live in a small town about two miles from the sea. We _____ (be) very excited when a new seafood restaurant _____ (open). We booked a table. It



_____ (be) the first night. To drink, we _____ (order)

some tap water and a bottle of white wine. To eat, we both ordered moules mariniere. It came with bread or French fries. We _____ (choose) bread. The waiter apologised and

Moules mariniere



_____ (explain) that actually, there was no bread.

However, he _____ (say) that he was going to get some from the Asda supermarket. We



_____ (think) that was strange! He _____ (leave) immediately and

_____ (come) back after about ten minutes. He was carrying a loaf of



sliced white bread. We hoped for nice crusty bread, so we _____ (feel)

disappointed. He _____ (bring) the water and wine. They were warm! We _____

(ask) for some ice but he _____ (not bring) any. Then he served our bowls of

mussels. We were shocked because all the shells were closed. If you cook mussels, you

must throw away any which do not open. We _____ (call) the waiter back over and we

_____ (tell) him: 'Excuse me, but all the mussels are closed'. 'That's no problem', he

replied, 'I will bring a sharp knife and I will open them for you.' At that point, we

_____ (decide) to go somewhere else. We _____ (pay) for the wine and left.

Three weeks later, the new seafood restaurant closed. We were not surprised.