

Advice Column

problems about *restaurants*

- Read the problems below and discuss possible solutions.



Ask Anita!

Dear Anita,

My family and I **moved** to the United States last **month** and our friends tell us that we **should** leave a tip when we eat at a restaurant. How much **money** **should** we leave for the **waiter** or waitress **after** we finish our meal? **Should** we leave a tip in all kinds of restaurants, even fast food restaurants? And **if** we don't like the service, is it really necessary to **leave** a tip?

Emma

Dear Anita,

My friends and I want to open our own restaurant! My friend Chris is going to be the waiter, Dan **is going to be** the cashier, and I'm **going to be** the **chef**. We want to open the restaurant **close** to the college where we study – our classmates say they are **always hungry**. Can you give us any advice about the kind of atmosphere the restaurant **should** have, and the kind of food we should have on the menu? And do you think opening a restaurant is a **good idea**?

Michael

Dear Anita,

I live right next to a restaurant and I'm one of their **best** customers. I **usually eat** dinner there three or four times a week. I **enjoy eating there** but I **think** I spend too much money, and I **think** some of the food I order (like pizza and hamburgers) **isn't** very **healthy**. On the other **hand**, I'm **too tired** to cook **after** I come home **from** work. What advice can you **give** me?

Martha



- Compare your solutions with different classmates. Do you agree or disagree with their ideas?

NAME: _____

DATE: _____



LISTENING PRACTICE PROBLEMS about RESTAURANTS



Listen to each person's problem and then choose A, B or C.

• Listening 1

(Emma)

1. **Emma and her family eat at a restaurant once a month.**
a) TRUE
b) FALSE
c) She doesn't say.
2. **What does the word 'tip' mean when she talks about restaurants?**
a) money
b) food
c) friends
3. **Emma and her family don't like the service at most restaurants.**
a) TRUE
b) FALSE
c) She doesn't say.
4. **(A) What is Emma's problem?
(B) She doesn't know how much**
a) money a fast food meal costs
b) food she should eat with her family
c) money to give to waiters and waitresses

• Listening 2

(Martha)

1. **Martha lives very close to a restaurant.**
a) TRUE
b) FALSE
c) She doesn't say.
2. **When does she usually eat at a restaurant?**
a) at noon
b) in the morning
c) in the evening
3. **What does Martha say is her favorite food?**
a) hamburgers
b) pizza
c) She doesn't say.
4. **(A) What is Martha's problem?
(B) She**
a) doesn't like to cook
b) eats at a restaurant too often
c) wants to learn how to cook pizzas

• Listening 3

(Michael)

1. **Michael and his friends are going to open a restaurant next month.**
a) TRUE
b) FALSE
c) He doesn't say.
2. **How many of Michael's friends are going to help him?**
a) three
b) two
c) four
3. **Where do Michael and his friends want to open their restaurant?**
a) near their college
b) at their college
c) He doesn't say.
4. **One of Michael's problems is that he's not sure**
a) if he should start a restaurant business
b) how to cook really good food
c) what the menu should look like