

Eat out for less

'How much is it?' In some restaurants, the answer is: 'What you want to pay.' Here are some of the 'Pay-what-you-want' restaurants around the world.

A Der Wiener Deewan, Vienna, Austria

This is a Pakistani restaurant but it is in Vienna. You go down some stairs to a small room with seats for about fifty people. There are no menus and no waiters. The food is in large, hot, containers on a table and you take what you want. The meal then costs



what you want to pay. The traditional, Pakistani food is delicious, but be careful, some of it is very spicy! Try the **Methi Gajar** — spicy but sweet vegetables — and, of course, some Pakistani **rice**. The restaurant isn't only a 'pay-what-you-want' restaurant but also a 'play what you want' restaurant. In the evenings, you can take a djembe, an African drum, and play music with others. It's a really cool place to spend some time.

B Soul Kitchen – Red Bank, New Jersey, USA

Soul Kitchen is a great place to go for lunch. The menu has choices of **starters** — my favourite is the **mixed green salad**, **main course** — fish, meat or vegetarian, and **dessert**. But, it doesn't have any prices. That's because you can pay what you want. The restaurant asks for \$10 or more, but people who haven't got \$10 can eat there and work for an hour to pay for their meal. The food is healthy and local. The restaurant even has a garden and grows a lot of the **vegetables** that they use in their meals.



C Lentil As Anything, Melbourne, Australia



This is a vegetarian restaurant in Australia's second city. In fact, there are four Lentil As Anything restaurants in the city. Nine hundred people eat in the restaurant in the Abbotsford district of the city every day. The restaurants are open all day and you can eat **breakfast**, **lunch** and **dinner** there. They are friendly places where you can chat to other customers, listen to good music and, when you leave, you put some money in a box. The food is healthy and delicious. They don't serve meat but you can find great food with other ingredients like **pumpkin**. Their **pumpkin curry** is amazing.

GLOSSARY

drum (n) — a musical instrument played by hitting it with your hand or a stick

grow (v) — to make plants develop and produce fruit or flowers or become big enough to eat

district (n) — an area of a town

chat (v) — talk in a friendly, informal way

customer (n) — someone who buys goods or services from a shop, restaurant, etc.

pumpkin (n) — a large, orange vegetable that is popular at Halloween

- 1 Read the text and decide which restaurant A–C is best for customers 1–4. One customer doesn't have a suitable restaurant.

- 1 'I love hot food from China and India. I'd like to try food from a different country in Asia.' ☐
- 2 'I don't eat meat. I think it is wrong to kill animals for food. I don't even like seeing other people eat meat.' ☐
- 3 'I love traditional English breakfasts with sausages, bacon and fried eggs.' ☐
- 4 'I haven't got a job. I have a lot of time in the middle of the day but I haven't got money for food.' ☐

- 2 Read the text again. Match questions 1–9 with the restaurants. Write DWD (Der Weiner Deewan), SK (Soul Kitchen) or LAA (Lentil As Anything).

Where ...

- 1 do they grow some of the food they serve? _____
- 2 do they use recipes from different countries? _____
- 3 can you pay for your food or work? _____
- 4 can you choose from four restaurants with the same name? _____
- 5 can you play music? _____
- 6 can you eat at any time of the day? _____
- 7 can you get a three-course meal? _____
- 8 can you put the food you want on your plate? _____
- 9 can't you eat meat? _____

- 3 Look at the underlined verbs + prepositions in the text. Then complete the sentences with the verbs from the box.

(chat eat go (x2) listen pay play)

You can eat in a café or restaurant.

- 1 You can _____ for your meal with cash or a credit card.
- 2 People _____ to music on MP3 players and CDs.
- 3 There is a café and a restaurant in the building. You _____ up some stairs to the café and down some other stairs to the restaurant.
- 4 I often _____ to my friends on my computer. We use Skype.
- 5 After school, I sometimes _____ for a pizza or a hot dog with my friends.
- 6 My brother is in a band and sometimes he lets me _____ the guitar with them.

- 4 Complete the sentences with the correct verbs and prepositions from Exercise 3. Use the correct form of the verbs.

When I'm on holiday, I always eat in small, local restaurants.

- 1 I've got the chance to _____ the guitar _____ some really good musicians.
- 2 Where do you want to _____ dinner?
- 3 My dad always _____ the meal when we go out to a restaurant with the whole family.
- 4 To get to the toilet, _____ the stairs and turn left.
- 5 The tables in the restaurant are very big, so you can meet other people and _____ them.
- 6 Jan likes it when she can _____ Spanish music in real Spanish restaurants.

REMEMBER THIS

The word **meal** means everything we eat, e.g. for breakfast or dinner. Some meals, e.g. dinner, consist of **courses**, e.g. soup, meat and vegetables, dessert. The word **ingredients** means the food items a particular **dish** is made from, e.g. to make spaghetti bolognese or Yorkshire pudding (a dish) we need cheese and tomatoes, or flour, milk and eggs (ingredients).

- 5 Read REMEMBER THIS. Put the words in bold from the text on page 28 under the correct heading.

Meals of the day Courses Dishes Ingredients

breakfast

WORD STORE 2E | Food adjectives

- 6 Complete the sentences with one word in each gap. The first letters are given.

I love this restaurant. The waiters are polite and the food is delicious.

- 1 This bread is very **f** _____. It's still warm.
- 2 I don't eat meat. What **v** _____ dishes do you serve?
- 3 Can I have a glass of water, please? This curry is very **s** _____!
- 4 I'm sorry, we don't have rice. We only serve **i** _____ food and we don't grow rice in this country.
- 5 I hope you like this. It's a **t** _____ meal from my country. My grandmother always cooks it when I go home to visit.
- 6 I don't like fried food, especially meat. I prefer it **g** _____ – it's healthier.

VOCABULARY PRACTICE | Food

- 7 Look at the vocabulary in lesson 2.4 in the Students' Book. Complete the sentences with one word in each gap. The first letters are given.

There are some strange foods that people eat. Are they **tasty**? Read on to find out.

There are some very unusual **d** _____ in countries around the world. In Iceland, for example, a famous **s** _____ is hákarl. Hákarl is shark meat that is dried. It smells terrible! But it tastes much better than it smells, they say.

In Cambodia – a country in Southeast Asia – a very popular **s** _____ **f** _____ is spiders. I've heard they taste like chicken. Would you like to eat hákarl or fried spiders for your **m** _____?



Hákarl