

Describing food: vocabulary practice.

1 Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.



1 This meat is very _____. It just melts in your mouth and is very easy to eat.
a tender b chewy c crumbly

2 Don't eat ____ chicken. You must cook it first!
a stodgy b rare c raw

3 Lucy's so lazy. She's _____.
a in a nutshell b full of beans c a couch potato

4 Indian curries are often full of chillies and very hot and _____.
a smoky b spicy c sticky

5 The food at the hostel was really _____. It was boring and tasteless.
a bland b smooth c tough

6 Our day out began well but soon went _____. Everything went wrong!
a pear-shaped b to a pie in the sky c in a nutshell

2 Choose the correct answers.

- 1 Most things my mother cooks lack flavour. They are
- 2 I should have cooked the vegetables a little longer. They're too
- 3 This cake has become It's been in the cupboard for a week.
- 4 I hate it when he starts to because that's not polite.
- 5 If you cook steak for too long, it may be
- 6 When you cook chips in oil that isn't hot enough, they absorb a lot of the oil and are too
- 7 I can't stand food. I prefer light and healthy dishes like fish and salads.
- 8 Don't be! Stop that noise!
- 9 This chicken still looks in places. You'll need to put it back in the oven.
- 10 When my father cooks, the dishes have so much more flavour than my mother's food.

3 Choose the correct words to complete the text.

We've just stayed in the worst hotel ever! The rooms were dirty and the food wasn't good either - in fact it was 1 We ordered scrambled eggs for breakfast and when they arrived, they were so 2 , they must have been almost 3 I couldn't eat either the eggs or the bread that accompanied them, which was 4 I thought that perhaps lunch would be better, so I ordered a three-course meal in the hotel restaurant, but that was a huge mistake. The soup could have been anything, it was absolutely 5 I ordered steak and chips as a main course, hoping that I would get a nice piece of 6 meat with fresh chips. Instead, I got a dry, 7 steak with 8 chips. Honestly, the oil was almost pouring out of them! The dessert, which was chocolate cake with custard, was no better. It was heavy, 9 and far too sweet! And what was worse, the waiter was so rude! I know he's probably paid 10 but still, why be so unpleasant? I'll never stay there again.