

THE INVENTION OF CRISPS

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Potato crisps were invented by accident in 1853, by a chef called George Crum. He was extremely (1) _____ of his cookery skills and the expensive hotel where he worked attracted customers who were (2) _____ to eating only the best food.

One evening, a particularly difficult-to-please guest complained about Crum's fried potatoes. "They're too thick," he said "too soft, and have no flavor." He (3) _____ that they should be replaced.

The customer's negative (4) _____ made Crum extremely angry, so he decided to annoy the customer. He cut a potato into paper-thin slices, fried the pieces until they were hard, then put far too much salt on them. "He'll hate them," Crum thought. But the customer loved them and ordered more.

News of this new snack travelled fast and an absolutely (5) _____ global industry has grown from Crum's invention—even though his fried potatoes were actually (6) _____ to taste disgusting!

