

Reading

1a

Food art



Reading & Listening

3 a) Read the saying in the first sentence in the text. What do you think it means? Choose A, B, or C. ...

- A You must turn sour things into sweet things.
- B You should make the most of everything.
- C You should be grateful for what you have.

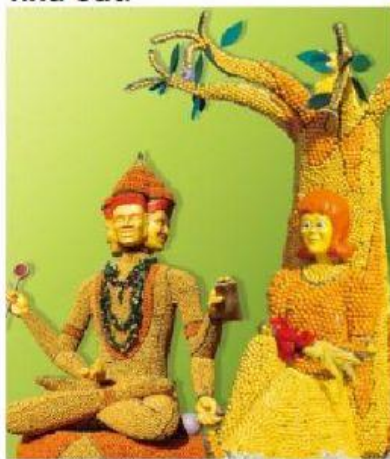
'When life gives you lemons make lemonade,' the saying goes.





- 3 b) What do you think the text is about?

Listen and read to find out.



Lemon Art: French style

Lemons are a great fruit. You can make lemonade and desserts from them or even use their juice for cooking or in salads.

'When life gives you lemons make lemonade,' the saying goes. In the beautiful and picturesque seaside resort town of Menton in the south of France, people make a lot more than just lemonade with their lemons. Believe it or not, they make art, and have a lot of fun doing it!

Every February to March, the people of Menton celebrate their lemons and oranges with a three-week long lemon festival that attracts over 200,000 visitors. Artists design and create amazing giant statues for the festival using over 145 tons of lemons and oranges. The artists make everything from giant bananas to dinosaurs and some of the statues can measure more than 32 feet tall. There is a daily Citrus Exposition where people come to see the amazing creations and buy local products made from oranges and lemons. On Sundays, floats carrying the citrus statues go through the town in the Parade of Golden Fruit and on Thursdays, crowds gather to watch colorful night parades with music and dancers as well as fireworks. Each year, there is a different theme and the creators let their imaginations run wild. Whether you like food and art, or simply need some vitamin C, Menton is a pretty good place to be in February and March.

If you want to experience the festival next year, visit www.feteducitron.com and book your tickets online as places for each event go fast.



Read the text and complete the sentences.

1. Menton is _____.
2. Every spring, over 200,000 people come to Menton for _____.
3. Artists make statues with _____.
4. People come to see the artists' creations at the _____.
5. After the parades on Thursdays people watch _____.