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# Dinner Fresh from the Freezer

**Unit 8**

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| FREEZER | FROZEN FOODS | FUR | CABIN |
| WINTER | METHODS | CURIOSITY | DIET |
| SHOPPERS | NATURE | CONVENIENT | TASTE |

## Complete the sentences by using the words above.

1 In Canada, Birdseye sold the animal's ..... for money.

2 My place is very ..... It is very close to the mall and grocery shops.

3 After you cook frozen vegetables, the ..... is just like fresh vegetables.

4 My daily ..... consists of eggs, meat and vegetables only.

5 Because of Birdseye's ....., the Americans way of eating was changed.

6 There are different kinds of ..... in preserving food.

7 Meats, sausages, hotdogs are examples of .....

8 It's too crowded at the mall, I've seen so many ..... buying items on sale.

9 The ..... in the woods looks so nice in the morning but really creepy night.

10 I have a big ..... at home where I store most of meat and vegetables so I could preserve them.

11 I love ..... that's why I always travel to the mountain areas.

12 It's almost ..... in Canada, I need to buy lots of thick clothes and jackets to keep me warm.



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# Reading Comprehension

Read the article and drag and drop the answers to the questions.

You need to make dinner, but don't have any fresh vegetables. So, you go to the freezer and take out some frozen ones. When you have dinner, the taste of the vegetables is fresh and delicious. You can thank Clarence Birdseye for that. Clarence Birdseye invented a way for us to have frozen food in convenient packages.

Clarence Birdseye was born in 1886 in Brooklyn, New York. He was one of eight children. He loved nature and animals. Later, he started to study biology at college. He didn't finish college and started to work to make money. In many jobs around the country, he worked with animals and nature.

In 1912, Birdseye went to the north of Canada. He liked it there and bought and sold fur. He also took his new wife and baby son there. They lived in a cabin 250 miles (402 kilometers) away from the nearest doctor. He often traveled with the local Inuit people, and he went fishing with them. As soon as one of them caught a fish, it quickly froze because the air was so cold. He asked them, "Are we going to eat this fish today?" The Inuit replied, "No, we already have fish for one month." Birdseye didn't understand. How could fish stay for a month and not go bad?

Later, when he ate frozen fish, it was as delicious as the fresh fish. Then, he understood! When you fresh fish fast enough, it doesn't change its taste or the way it looks. He tried this new idea on vegetables. He froze cabbage so his family could eat vegetables in the winter.

In 1917, Birdseye returned to the United States and took different jobs. In the end, he worked for a fish company and started to try out the quick-freezing method he learned in Canada. Finally, in 1924, he started a company called Birdseye Seafoods. It sold frozen foods such as fish, meat and vegetables. In 1930, he tested the foods in Springfield, Massachusetts. For the first time, shoppers saw frozen foods in their grocery store. Did they buy them? Yes, they did? What a change Birdseye made to the American diet all because of his curiosity.

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| In a cabin. | Seven. | Due to the very cold air. |
| Birdseye's Seafoods. | In Brooklyn., New York. | Fish, meat and vegetables. |
| Clarence Birdseye. | He bought and sold fur. | The quick-freezing method. |

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| 1 | What is the name of Birdseye's company? | |
| 2 | Where was Birdseye born? | |
| 3 | What did Birdseye try out while working in a fish company in the US? | |
| 4 | Where does Birdseye's family live while in Canada? | |



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| 5 | How many siblings does Birdseye have? | |
| 6 | What was Birdseye's job while he was in Canada? | |
| 7 | What does Birdseye's company sell? | |
| 8 | Who invented frozen foods in convenient packages? | |
| 9 | Why do the fish they caught froze right away? | |



## Listening Activity

**Listen to the audio file and write down the correct answers.**

# FOOD SAMPLES

Rosie went to the ..... She wanted to buy milk, cereal, and chicken. She took a shopping cart. She went to the ..... aisle. She grabbed a ..... of chicken, and put it inside the shopping cart. She went to the ..... aisle. She grabbed a gallon of milk, and put it inside the shopping cart. She went to the ..... aisle. She grabbed a box of ..... cereal, and put it inside the shopping cart.

She saw a long line of people. She was ..... what they were ..... up for. She ..... at the front of the line. They were giving out ..... of pizza! Samples are free. There is ..... a line for samples. Rosie ..... to stand in line, too.



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