

PASSAGE 37

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Globalization is causing a lot of change in international culture, from the TV shows we watch to the clothes we wear. One major area that has been affected by globalization is food culture. It seems clear that globalization has significantly affected food consumption in most parts of the world, but one country whose food has a long history of being "globalized" is Italy.

In Italy, changing trends have affected the preparation of food. Italian families have always taken a lot of pride in preparing food. Until recently, pasta - a basic Italian food - would have been made by people in their local area. People no longer spend so much time preparing their meals. Indeed, frozen or take-out Italian meals have become very popular in Italy. **This has added to the convenience of making meals but has diminished cultural tradition.** People are traveling more, reading about and seeing foreign ingredients and recipes on the Internet and social media. Immigrants to Italy bring their food traditions with them. Now Italians can eat at restaurants with foreign cuisine and buy foreign food in shops. Indian, Chinese, and Japanese food have all become especially popular.

In summary, globalization has had a significant effect on the way that we eat. While some people fear the damage it may cause to Italian traditions, culture, and local businesses; others think that the great popularity of Italian food worldwide will ensure this great cuisine never disappears.

Question 1: What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Globalization has negatively impacted on Italian food traditions.
- B. Globalization has introduced changes to Italian food culture.
- C. Italian cuisine is becoming less popular in Italy due to foreign influences.
- D. Italians have stopped preparing traditional foods altogether.

Question 2: The word "**diminished**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to ____.

- A. increased
- B. preserved
- C. reduced
- D. enhanced

Question 3: Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 2?

- A. Convenient meal options have replaced the need for cultural traditions.
- B. Easier meal options make cooking simpler but reduce traditional practices.
- C. The convenience of new meal options has improved Italian cultural traditions.
- D. Making meals is easier now, so people are more interested in traditional cooking.

Question 4: Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Italy has been affected by globalization for a long time.
- B. Some people believe the Italian cuisine will never disappear.
- C. Immigrants bring foreign food and cuisines to Italy.
- D. Take-out food is popular because people don't want to prepare meals.

Question 5: Which of the following best summarises paragraph 3?

- A. Italian cuisine is at risk because it's no longer popular worldwide.
- B. Some fear globalization harms Italy traditions; others see preservation.
- C. Foreign foods are replacing Italian cuisine in Italy.
- D. Italian food is becoming more popular internationally.