

Lead-in

1 Discuss with a partner.

- What's your favourite food? Which country has the best food? And the worst?
- What's the strangest food you've ever tried? Is there anything you'd never eat?
- What do you know about a macrobiotic diet? Would you like to try it? Why / why not?
- Do you enjoy cooking? Do you have a signature dish?
- Are there any celebrity chefs from your country? What type of food do they prepare?

Input

1 Read your article about food and make notes.

2 Use your notes to exchange information with two classmates.

Language focus

1 Look at this sentence from text A and discuss the questions below.

In fact, the idea of a meat substitute has been investigated in labs all over the world for years now.

- What form is the verb in bold in?
- When is it used?
- How is it formed?

2 Complete the information.

The ¹..... is formed with a tense or form of the verb ²..... and the ³..... of the main verb.

It is used to create a / an ⁴..... style or to focus on the ⁵....., rather than the person performing the action.

3 There is at least one example of the passive in each of the other paragraphs in Text A. Find them with your partner.

4 Complete the sentences below using an appropriate form of the verb in the passive and information from the articles.

- Steps (take) to find meat.
- Algae (use) to
- The first hamburger using in-vitro meat (test)
- Research (carry out) which proved that rats
- Evidence (find) that food tastes

5 Texts B and C have words associated with flavours and textures of food. Find them and write them under the correct heading in the table below.

Flavours	Textures
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6 Here are some more adjectives to talk about textures and flavours of food. Write them in the correct column in the table. Use a dictionary to help if necessary.

savoury crumbly smooth hot and spicy cheesy nutty
mushy crunchy mild / strong light and airy chewy

7 Work with a partner and think of three examples of foodstuffs which are:

- bitter
- bland
- strong
- chewy
- crunchy
- smooth

Task

1 You are going to interview a classmate about some food issues. Add three questions to the list below that you would like to ask.

- 1 What flavours do you prefer, sweet, sour, hot and spicy ...?
- 2 How would you describe your taste in food?
- 3 Have your tastes in food changed since you were a child? How?
- 4 What do you think the future of food will be in your country? Do you think people will ever get used to eating insects or algae?
- 5 Do you agree that people are more preoccupied with food today than in the past? Why has this happened?
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2 Work in pairs to ask and answer your questions. Ask additional questions if necessary.

3 Tell your group about your findings.

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