DINING DISCUSSION

STUDENT A’s QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1) What kinds of food are you trying to avoid?
2) What’s your favorite Taiwanese food?
3) Are you a big tea drinker? How about coffee?
4) Have you ever been on a diet?
5) What foods are you allergic to?
6) Are there any foods which disagree with you?
7) Do you like food from other Asian countries? Can you give examples?
8) Do you read online reviews before going to a restaurant?
9) Do you consider yourself a good cook?
10) What’s the grossest thing you have ever eaten?

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STUDENT B’s QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1) Do you prefer fast food or “slow” food?
2) Have your tastes changed over the years?
3) What special Taiwanese dishes would you recommend to foreigners in Taiwan?
4) How well can your mother cook?
5) Explain what the idiom “I could eat a horse” means.
6) Do you ever skip meals?
7) What kinds of international cuisine do you like?
8) Is there a food or a drink which you could not live without?
9) Are you fussy about food or do you eat most things?
10) Have you ever cooked a meal from scratch?
Food for Thought---Dining and Cooking

**Vocabulary**

1. chef
2. taboo
3. cuisine
4. vegetarian
5. vegan
6. can't stand
7. food poisoning
8. consume
9. alcohol(ic)
10. server (=waiter/waitress)
11. gourmet
12. I have a nut allergy (=I am allergic to nuts.)
13. [food] disagree with someone (Spicy food disagrees with me.)
14. I could eat a horse!
15. to skip meals
16. fussy
17. to cook from scratch

**Cooking & Dining: Walk and Talk Activity**

1. What meals or dishes can you make?
2. What’s the difference between a cook and a chef?
3. What’s your worst dining experience? How about the best?
4. If you had to open a restaurant, what kind of restaurant would it be?
5. Name some food taboos.
6. What’s your favorite foreign cuisine?
7. How often do you dine out?
8. What do you think about vegetarian food?

9. Do you know the difference between the terms “\textit{vegan}” and “\textit{vegetarian}”?

10. Is there any food or drink that you can’t stand?

11. Have you ever had food poisoning?

12. What’s your favorite junk food? Which is your favorite fast food restaurant?

13. What types of alcohol have you tried? How often do you consume alcoholic drinks?

14. Do you think the government should add a tax on sugary foods and drinks?

15. How much coffee and tea do you usually drink every day? How about soda?

16. Do you think junior high schools should have cooking classes?

17. Can your dad cook? How often does he cook dinner at home?

18. Can you recommend a good restaurant?

19. When you go to a nice restaurant, do you usually take photos of your food?

20. Do you keep track of calories?

21. How do you react if a server in a restaurant has a bad attitude?

22. Have you ever been on a date in a restaurant? How did it go?

23. Can students get a discount at some restaurants?

24. How long are you willing to stand in line to get into a famous restaurant?

25. Would you be impressed if your boyfriend/girlfriend cooked you a gourmet dinner?

26. Do you have any food allergies?
Vocabulary

1. chef (n.) a professional cook, especially the most senior cook in a restaurant, hotel, etc.
2. taboo (n.) a cultural or religious custom that does not allow people to do, use, or talk about a particular thing as people find it offensive or embarrassing
3. cuisine (n.) a style of cooking
4. vegetarian (adj) not eating or including meat
5. vegan (adj.) not eating, using or including any animal products
6. can't stand (idiom) to hate someone or something
7. food poisoning (n.) illness caused by bacteria or other toxins in food, typically with vomiting and diarrhea
8. consume (v.) to eat or drink something
9. alcohol(ic) (n/adj) the clear liquid that is found in drinks such as beer, wine, etc. and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
10. server (=waiter/waitress) : a person who serves food in a restaurant; a waiter or waitress
11. gourmet (adj) (of food) very high quality
12. I have a nut allergy (=I am allergic to nuts.)
   - allergy (n.) a medical condition that causes you to react badly or feel sick when you eat or touch a particular substance
   - allergic (adj) having an allergy to something
13. [food] disagree with someone (Spicy food disagrees with me.) to cause someone to feel ill
14. I could eat a horse! : used to say that you are extremely hungry
15. to skip meals: to miss meals
16. fussy (adj) not easily satisfied; having very high standards or very fixed standards about particular things
17. to cook from scratch : from the beginning, without using anything that already exists