

Super English



Unit 12 - Lesson 1 - Global Cuisine

Vocabulary



Cuisine - Vocabulary

cuisine: a style or method of cooking, especially as characteristic of a particular country, region (n)



Italian **cuisine** is known for its simplicity and use of fresh ingredients.

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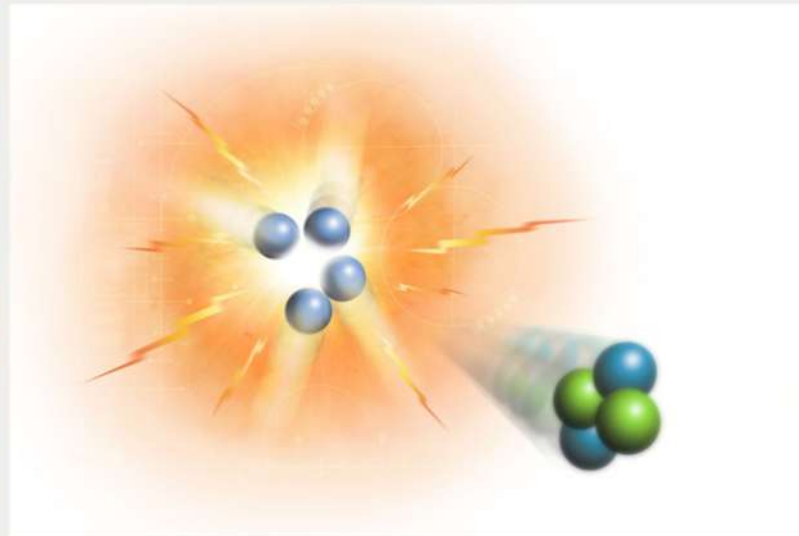
culinary: of or related to cooking or the kitchen (adj)



She has a passion for **culinary** arts and loves to experiment with different recipes.

Cuisine - Vocabulary

fusion: the process or result of joining two or more things together to form a single entity (n)



The restaurant specializes in Mexican-Asian **fusion**, with dishes like sushi tacos on the menu.

Cuisine - Vocabulary

palate: a person's ability to taste and judge good food and wine (n)



Training your **palate** to appreciate different flavors can enhance your culinary experiences.

Reading



A World on a Plate

If you love both food and travel, get ready for a delicious adventure through time! The story of **global cuisine** isn't just about what we eat—it's about how people, places, and ideas connect. From ancient fires to fancy modern kitchens, food has always brought people together. Whether it's spicy noodles in Bangkok or cheesy pizza in Rome, every bite tells a story about where we've been and how cultures continue to mix.



1. What examples of food from different countries are mentioned?
2. Do you think food is a good way to learn about other cultures?

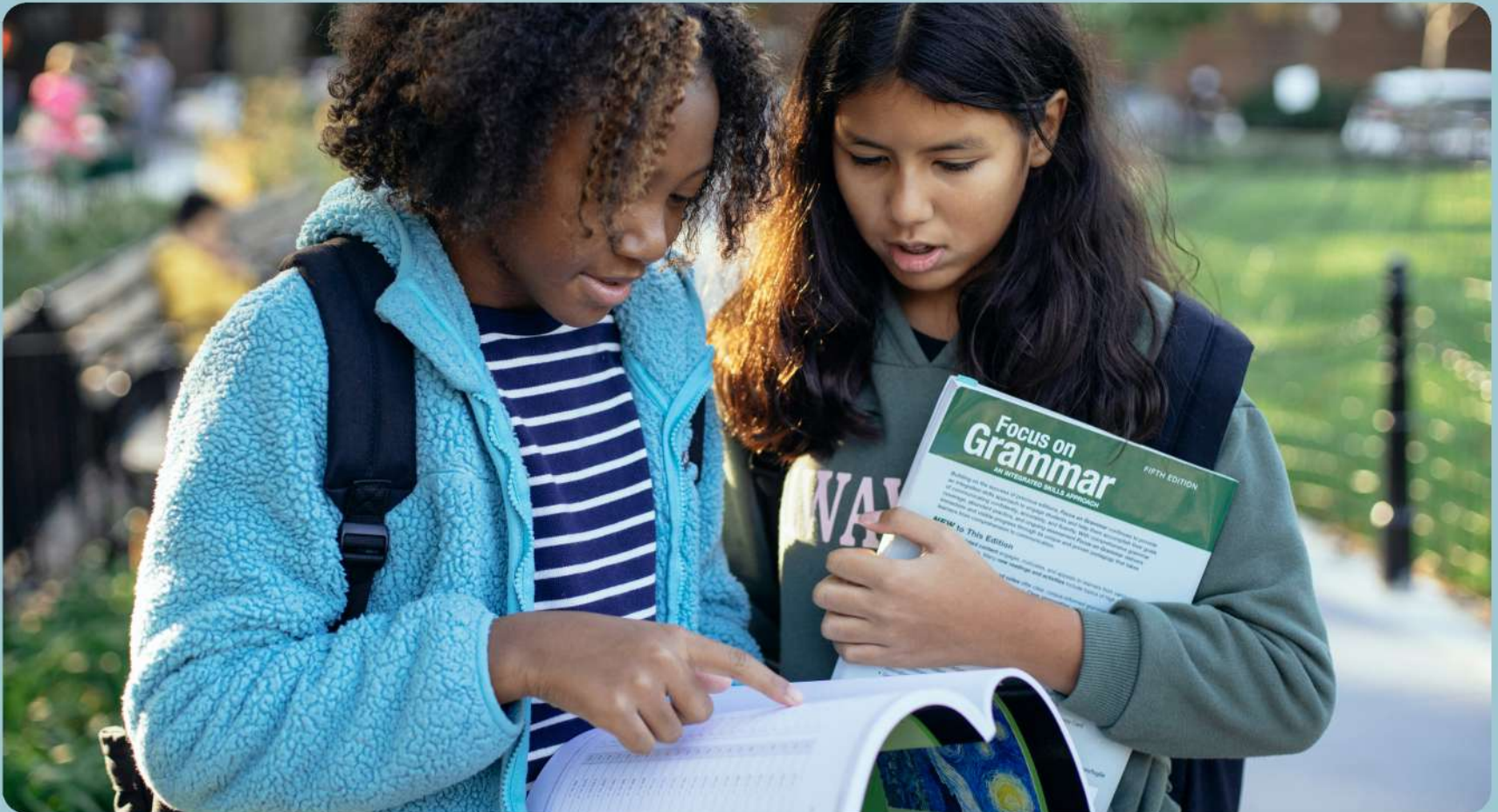
Cooking Through the Ages



1. What did Epicurus say about tasty food?
2. What's your favorite celebration meal, and who usually cooks it?

Long before **takeout apps** and food videos, people cooked to survive—and celebrate. Ancient Greeks enjoyed **fine dining**, and the philosopher Epicurus said pleasure (including tasty food) was life's greatest joy. In medieval Europe, huge **banquets** showed off wealth and power. Over time, **culinary** traditions became a creative art form. Food wasn't just about filling bellies anymore; it was about expressing **identity**, sharing culture, and turning simple meals into experiences that shaped human history.

Grammar



Passive vs. Active Voice

In English, we can write and speak in the **active or passive voice**. Active voice is used more often, but knowing how to use both is important.

Active voice - the subject **performs** the action.

Subject + Verb + Object

The chef (**subject**) cooked (**verb**) the meal (**object**).

The subject of the sentence acted on the object.

Passive voice - the subject **receives** the action.

Subject + Be Verb + Past Participle + (by + Agent)

The meal (**sub**) was cooked (**be + past participle**) by the chef (**agent**).

(The subject received the action.)

Let's Talk!



Dialogue 1 – The Epic Pizza Debate

Lena: I swear, pizza is the best food ever invented. It's basically perfect.

Ravi: Only if it's Italian-style! Pineapple on pizza should be illegal.

Lena: Excuse me? Sweet and salty is a top-tier combo. That's called fusion, my friend.

Ravi: More like food confusion. The Italians would cry if they saw that.

Lena: Maybe, but they also cried when Americans added pepperoni. And now look!

Ravi: Okay, fine. Maybe fusion food isn't all bad.

Question: What are your favorite toppings on pizza?

Unlocking Word Parts



Prefix "sub"

The prefix **sub** means "**below**" or "**under**."

Subconscious: The part of the mind below the level of conscious perception.

Subtitle: Secondary or explanatory title (below the title).

Substandard: Below the usual or required standard.

Subzero: Below zero degrees in temperature.

See you next time!

