

Unit 9

Lesson 1

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Food

Before you begin

1 Look at the photographs. Which foods have you tried before? Which foods would you like to try? Discuss in pairs.



Answers

Students' own answers

2 DW Read the words in the box. Which words refer to the names of the foods in the photographs? Check the meaning of any words you don't know in the Activity Book glossary or in a dictionary.

ceviche durian mansaf marinated raw seasoned

spiced stew

Answers

a mansaf

b durian

c ceviche

3 Steven and Robert have just returned from a trip around the world. Read and listen to Steven's account of the different kinds of food they ate. Which food did they like the most?

Answers

mansaf from Jordan

Different cultures, different food

In **Thailand**, we ate the strangest fruit, the durian. We had it picked right from the tree. It's a huge tropical fruit with a spiky skin. Its smell is so strong that it has been officially forbidden in many public places in Asia! We got it cut open and chopped, and then we ate it raw.

In **South Africa**, we ate a stew made from flowers, which smelt lovely! The flowers grow on top of the water in lakes. We had the flowers cooked with meat and vegetables in a large pot.

We also tried raw fish in **Peru**. It's called ceviche, which is a seafood dish. It is made from fresh raw fish, marinated in lemon juice. Robert didn't want it served raw at first, but when he tried it he loved it as much as I did!

In **Jordan**, where our friend Ramzi lives, we tried the most delicious dish. It's actually Jordan's national dish, mansaf. It's lamb seasoned with aromatic herbs, sometimes lightly spiced and cooked in yoghurt. It's always served with huge quantities of rice. We had it prepared by Ramzi's mum and it was very delicious! Even though we were full after one dish, she insisted on serving us another, followed by some Arabic sweets, *kunafah*. That was very typical of the Jordanians' hospitality and generosity. Next time I visit Ramzi, I want my favourite dish prepared the first day I arrive!

Comprehension

4 Read and listen to the text again and answer the questions.

- 1 What do the underlined words refer to?
- 2 Why are durians banned in many countries?
- 3 Do you think a dish made from flowers would taste good? Why / Why not?
- 4 Why didn't Robert want to try ceviche at first?
- 5 Steven talks about Jordanian hospitality. Why do you think there is this custom of feeding guests a lot of food?
- 6 If you don't like the food that a host offers you, what do you think you should do? Why?

Answers

Answers 1 Its (line 3): the fruit's;

which (line 9): the stew;

it (line 25): mansaf

2 Durians are banned in many countries because their smell is very strong.

3 Students' own answers

4 He didn't want to try raw fish.

5 Suggested answer: I think the custom of feeding guests a lot of food comes from ancient traditions when people used to travel long distances and would need to stop and eat at your house. Hospitality and generosity were even more important back then.

6 Suggested answer: I think you should still eat it and appreciate your host's generosity, saying thank you when you finish your food.

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Vocabulary

1 Find the synonyms of the words in the box from sentences 1-4 and write both words in the gaps below. Then write your own sentence using the additional word in the box.

marinated spiced raw seasoned mansaf stew

- 1 **Ceviche** is made from uncooked fish. =
- 2 The dish in South Africa is made from flowers. =
- 3 I like chicken that is soaked in lemon juice. =
- 4 When food is spiced with herbs, it tastes better. =
- 5

Answers

- 1 uncooked / raw
- 2 dish / stew
- 3 soaked / marinated
- 4 spiced / seasoned
- 5 Students' own answers

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