



English for International Tourism

Chapter 3: Table for two

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The Benihana restaurant


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BENIHANA

average cost: £30 per head
set lunch from: £8.50
set dinner from: £14
house wine (bottle): £12

six vegetarian dishes
wheelchair access
private room available (max 12 people)
kids' menu Sunday lunch only from £4.75
highchairs available



Freshly cooked Japanese food and the theatrical performances by the chefs make this establishment very entertaining. Watch the way your meat, fish and vegetables are chopped, thrown around and chargrilled by the chefs. Take your kids to see this spectacle. Adults will have fun too.

The menu is made up of mainly teppanyaki-style complete meals. Diners sit around a hotplate (hibachi) table for eight. Each table's chef brings in the ingredients and theatrically prepares the food. He then serves it, freshly cooked and steaming hot.

Prices aren't cheap but then meals such as the tuna fillet steak, the Benihana Regal, which includes king prawns and hibachi steak with mushrooms, offer good value for money.

The clientele consists mainly of families and noisy parties. On Sunday lunchtimes under-tens get their own menu which includes a selection from chicken, steak and pasta meals.

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Table for two

reading: The Benihana restaurant

Ex1 Read the article about the Benihana restaurant on the opposite page and answer the questions.

1 What type of restaurant is the Benihana?

- A. Chinese
- B. Indian
- C. English
- D. Japanese

2 How much does an evening meal chosen from the menu usually cost?

- A. £8.50
- B. £12
- C. £14
- D. £30

3 Which of these groups cannot reserve the private dining room?

- A. family group of eight
- B. ten people having a business lunch
- C. an office party of twenty people
- D. six people celebrating a friend's birthday

4 How many people can sit together at the hibachi table?

- A. Eight
- B. Ten
- C. twelve
- D. sixteen

Ex1 Read the article about the Benihana restaurant on the opposite page and answer the questions.

5 The food is prepared and cooked in the

- A. dining room and served by the waiters.
- B. dining room and served by the chefs.
- C. kitchen and served by waiters.
- D. kitchen and served by the chefs.

6. When is the children's special available?

- A. every lunchtime
- B. all day Sunday
- C. Sunday lunchtime
- D. all weekend

7 Which of these children cannot have the kids' menu?

- A. Rachel, aged ten
- B. her brother John, aged six
- C. their cousin Tim, aged eight
- D. their cousin Helen, aged nine

UNIT 3

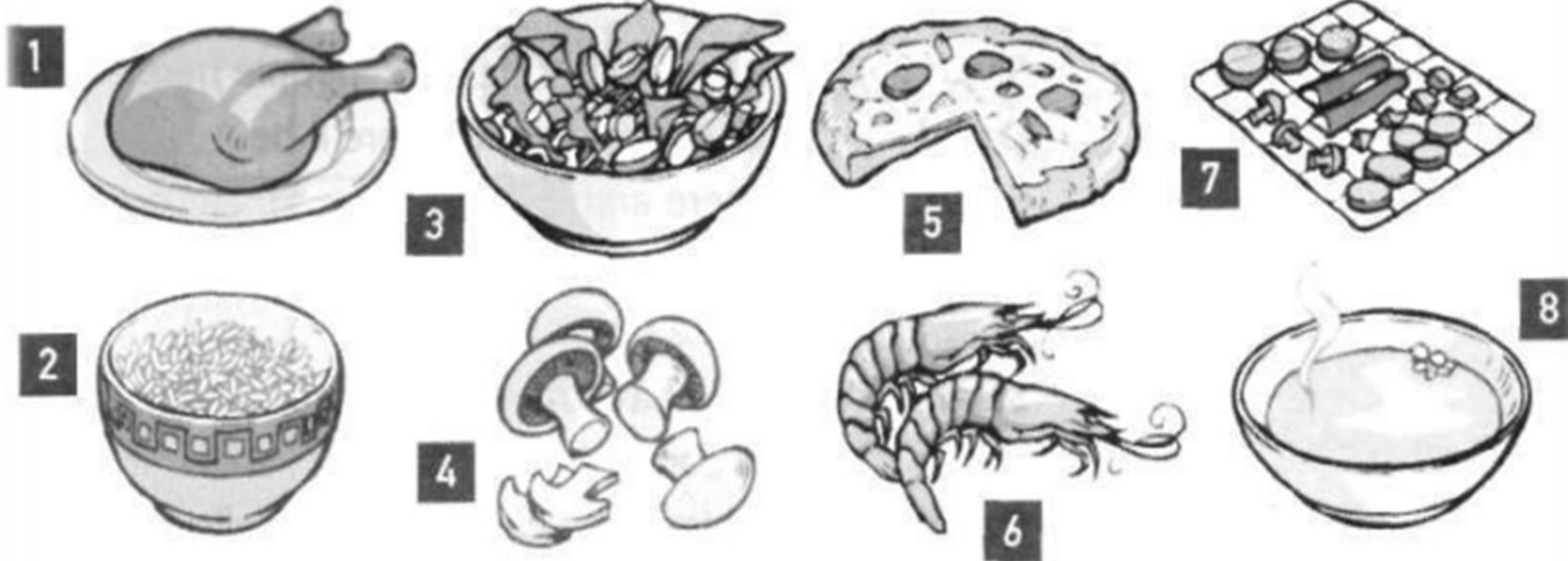
Exercise 1

1 D 2 D 3 C 4 A 5 B
6 C 7 A

Vocabulary: Dishes

Ex2 Match the pictures with the dishes in the box.

chicken salad pizza grilled vegetables onion soup
steamed rice mushrooms king prawns



Exercise 2

- 1 chicken
- 2 steamed rice
- 3 salad
- 4 mushrooms
- 5 pizza
- 6 king prawns
- 7 grilled vegetables
- 8 onion soup

Language Focus: Countable and uncountable nouns

Ex3 Complete the text with the correct options

eating out in style

The restaurant that we went to last night was excellent. Before we ordered the meal, we had two dry *martini* (*martinis*¹). For starters we both had a simple seafood *salad* / *salads*² made with fresh *prawn* / *prawns*³. For the main course, I had grilled *salmon* / *salmons*⁴ served with wild *mushroom* / *mushrooms*⁵ and

David had *chicken* / *chickens*⁶ with brown rice and *vegetable* / *vegetables*⁷. We also had a side order of roast *potato* / *potatoes*⁸. The waitress recommended a delicious, light white *wine* / *wines*⁹ to accompany the *meal* / *meals*¹⁰. My favourite part of the meal is always the dessert but it is difficult to find a restaurant

that makes good *dessert* / *desserts*¹¹. This place offers a white chocolate *mousse* / *mousses*¹² which is the best I've ever tasted. After the meal, I had decaffeinated *coffee* / *coffees*¹³ and David had some herbal *tea* / *teas*¹⁴.

Exercise 3

- 1 martinis
- 2 salad
- 3 prawns
- 4 salmon
- 5 mushrooms
- 6 chicken
- 7 vegetables
- 8 potatoes
- 9 wine
- 10 meal
- 11 desserts
- 12 mousse
- 13 coffee
- 14 tea

Ex4 Complete the sentences with a, an, some or any.

- 1 Would you like *some* more wine, sir?
- 2 Would you like glass of wine?
- 3 Could I have salt, please?
- 4 Can I have fried egg and bacon
for breakfast?
- 5 We've got orange juice in the fridge but we haven't
got tomato juice.
- 6 She doesn't like kind of cheese.
- 7 It was excellent chocolate mousse.
- 8 Are there tables free?

Exercise 4

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| 1 some | 5 some, any |
| 2 a | 6 any |
| 3 some | 7 an |
| 4 a, some | 8 any |

Ex5 Complete the dialogue with some, any, much, many or lots of.

- Waiter Would you like¹ drinks before you order your meal?
- Sarah Yes please. I'll have a tonic water with² ice, please. I really feel like a cold drink.
- David A dry martini for me please, but I don't want³ olives.
- Waiter Certainly, I'll get your drinks.
- Sarah There aren't⁴ people here tonight.
- David It's still early. I expect there'll be⁵ people later.
- Sarah And there aren't⁶ meat dishes on the menu.
- David It's a seafood restaurant Sarah! There are⁷ fish dishes to choose from.
- Sarah Well, we haven't got⁸ time. Let's order when the waiter comes back.
- David Good idea. The paella sounds delicious! What do you think?

Exercise 5

- 1 some
- 2 some
- 3 any
- 4 many
- 5 lots of
- 6 many / any
- 7 lots of
- 8 much

Ex6 Complete the dialogue with these sentences.

- a) I'm very sorry. We're very busy this afternoon.
- b) Yes, madam. How can I help you?
- c) I'll be right back with your drinks and appetisers.
- d) Would you like some appetisers with your drinks?
- e) I do apologise. Would you like to order your drinks while you're waiting?

Customer Excuse me!

Waitress 1

Customer We've been waiting to order for twenty minutes!

Waitress 2

Customer Well, this is terrible service.

Waitress 3

Customer Yes, we'd like a bottle of house red and some sparkling water, please.

Waitress 4

Customer Yes, please. Some garlic bread and olives would be nice.

Waitress 5

Customer Thank you.

Exercise 6

1 b 2 a 3 e 4 d 5 c