

Unusual restaurants • collocations
• food

Eat out for less

'How much is it?' In some restaurants, the answer is: 'What you want to pay.' Here are some of the 'Pay-what-you-want' restaurants around the world.

A Der Wiener Deewan, Vienna, Austria

This is a Pakistani restaurant but it is in Vienna. You go down some stairs to a small room with seats for about fifty people. There are no menus and no waiters. The food is in large, hot, containers on a table and you take what you want. The meal then costs



what you want to pay. The traditional, Pakistani food is delicious but, be careful, some of it is very spicy! Try the **Methi Gajar** – spicy but sweet vegetables – and, of course, some Pakistani **rice**. The restaurant isn't only a 'Pay-what-you-want' restaurant but also a 'play what you want' restaurant. In the evenings, you can take a djembe, an African drum, and play music with others. It's a really cool place to spend some time.

B Soul Kitchen – Red Bank, New Jersey, USA

Soul Kitchen is a great place to go for lunch. The menu has choices of **starters** – my favourite is the **mixed green salad**, **main course** – fish, meat or vegetarian, and **dessert**. But, it doesn't have any prices. That's because you can pay what you want. The restaurant asks for \$10 or more but, people who haven't got \$10 can eat there and work for an hour to pay for their meal. The food is healthy and local. The restaurant even has a garden and grows a lot of the **vegetables** that they use in their meals.



C Lentil As Anything Melbourne, Australia



This is a vegetarian restaurant in Australia's second city. In fact, there are four Lentil As Anything restaurants in the city. Nine hundred people eat in the restaurant in the Abbotsford district of the city every day. The restaurants are open all day and you can eat **breakfast**, **lunch** and **dinner** there. They are friendly places where you can chat to other customers, listen to good music and, when you leave, you put some money in a box. The food is healthy and delicious. They don't serve meat but you can find great food with other ingredients like **pumpkin**. Their **pumpkin curry** is amazing.

GLOSSARY

drum (n) – a musical instrument played by hitting it with your hand or a stick; bęben

grow (v) – to make plants develop and produce fruit or flowers or become big enough to eat; uprawiać

district (n) – an area of a town; dzielnica

chat (v) – talk in a friendly, informal way; gawędzić
customer (n) – someone who buys goods or services from a shop, restaurant etc.; klient

pumpkin (n) – a large, orange vegetable that is popular at Halloween; dynia

a suitable restaurant. ... person doesn't have

- 'I love hot food from China and India. I'd like to try food from a different country in Asia.'
- 'I don't eat meat. I think it is wrong to kill animals for food. I don't even like seeing other people eat meat.'
- 'I love traditional, English breakfasts with sausages, bacon and fried eggs.'
- 'I haven't got a job. I have a lot of time in the middle of the day but I haven't got money for food.'

2 Read the text again. Match sentences 1-9 with the restaurants. Write A, B or C.

- They grow some of the food they serve. _____
- The recipes are from a different country. _____
- You can pay for your food or work. _____
- There are four restaurants with the same name. _____
- You can play music here. _____
- You can eat here at any time of the day. _____
- You get a three-course meal here. _____
- You put the food you want on your plate. _____
- You can't eat meat here. _____

3 Look at the underlined verbs + prepositions in the text. Then complete the sentences with the verbs from the box.

(chat eat go (x2) pay play listen)

You can eat in a café or restaurant.

- You can _____ for your meal with cash or a credit card.
- People _____ to music on MP3 players and CDs.
- There is a café and a restaurant in the building. You _____ up some stairs to the café and down some other stairs to the restaurant.
- I often _____ to my friends on my computer. We use Skype.
- After school, I sometimes _____ for a pizza or a hot dog with my friends.
- My brother is in a band and sometimes he lets me _____ the guitar with them.

4 Translate the phrases in brackets into English.

When I'm on holiday, I always eat in (jadam w) small, local restaurants.

- I've got the chance to _____ (zagrać na gitarze z) some really good musicians.
- Where do you want to _____ (iść na) dinner?
- My dad always _____ (płaci za) the meal when we go out to a restaurant with the whole family.
- To get to the toilet, _____ (idź na górę) the stairs and turn left.
- The tables in the restaurant are very big so you can meet other people and _____ (rozmawiać z) them when you eat.
- Jan likes it when she can _____ (słuchać) Spanish music in Spanish restaurants and Chinese music in Chinese restaurants – then she believes she's in that country!

REMEMBER THIS

Słowo **meal** oznacza posiłek, np. *breakfast, dinner*. Niektóre *posiłki*, np. *dinner*, składają się z kilku dań (*courses*), np. zupę, drugiego dania / dania głównego, deseru (*soup, main course, dessert*). Składniki, z których zrobione jest określone danie / potrawa (**a dish**), to **ingredients**. Zatem aby przygotować spaghetti Bolognese albo Yorkshire pudding (**a dish**), potrzebne są ser i pomidory albo mąka, mleko i jajka (**ingredients**).

5 Read REMEMBER THIS. Put the words in bold from the text under the correct heading.

Meals of the day	Courses	Dishes	Ingredients
<i>breakfast</i>	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

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6 Complete the sentences with one word in each gap. The first letters are given.

*I love this restaurant. The waiters are polite and the food is **delicious**.*

- This bread is very **f**_____. It's still warm.
- I don't eat meat. What **v**_____ dishes do you serve?
- Can I have a glass of water, please? This curry is very **s**_____!
- I'm sorry, we don't have rice. We only serve **l**_____ food and we don't grow rice in this country.
- I hope you like this. It's a **t**_____ meal from my country. My grandmother always cooks it when I go home to visit.
- I don't like fried food, especially meat. I prefer it **g**_____ – it's healthier.

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7 Unjumble the letters and write the words correctly.

There are some strange foods that people eat. Are they **tasty** (aytst)? Read on to find out.

There are some very unusual ¹_____ (hisdes) in countries around the world. In Iceland, for example, a famous ²_____ (ipliesatic) is hákarl. Hákarl is shark meat that is dried. It smells terrible! But it tastes much better than it smells, they say.

In Cambodia – a country in Southeast Asia – a very popular ³_____ (strete) (doof) is spiders. I've heard they taste like chicken. Would you like to eat hákarl or fried spiders for your ⁴_____ (elam)?



Hákarl