

THIRD EDITION

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1 Food for Life Page 2	 Contrast General and Current Actions Describe Regional Foods Describe Favorite Dishes Discuss Diet Trends Give Details to Support Your Ideas 	Verb Tense Review: Simple Present and Present Continuous I almost never buy fruit at the supermarket. My father is buying all our food at the farmers' market. Simple Past (Regular and Irregular) We walked to the restaurant last night.	Healthy Diets Types of Food
2 Express Yourself Page 16	 Talk about Yourself Make Small Talk with New People Start a Conversation Discuss Endangered Languages Give Examples 	The Present Perfect vs. The Simple Past He has traveled to many countries. We met 10 years ago. Already, Yet, Ever, and Never + the Present Perfect We've already finished this unit.	Culture and Communication Starting a Conversation
3 Cities Page 30	 Make Predictions about Your City or Town Explain What Makes a Good Neighborhood Discuss the Pros and Cons of City Life Evaluate Solutions to a Problem Explain What Makes a Good City 	Future with <i>Will</i> Cities will be noisier in the future. Will + Time Clauses Before I move to the city, I'll look for a job.	Changing Cities City Life
4 The Body Page 44	 Discuss Ways to Stay Healthy Talk about Healthy Lifestyles Suggest Helpful Natural Remedies Describe the Benefits of a Positive Attitude Explain an Idea Using Details 	The Comparative, Superlative, and Equative Henry is healthier than his father. Infinitive of Purpose You can drink tea with honey to help a sore throat.	Human Organs Everyday Ailments
5 Challenges Page 58	 Talk about Facing Challenges Describe Past Accomplishments Use <i>Too</i> and <i>Enough</i> to Talk about Abilities Discuss Steps Toward a Goal Describe a Personal Challenge 	Past Continuous vs. the Simple Past I saw him yesterday. He was riding a bike. Past Continuous with the Simple Past We were eating dinner when you called. Enough, Not Enough, Too + Adjective He was old enough to sail alone.	Physical and Mental Challenges Phrasal Verbs
6 Transitions Page 72	 Talk about Different Stages in Your Life Talk about the Best Age to Do Something Ask Questions to Get More Information Discuss Changes Caused by Technology Describe an Important Transition in Your Life 	The Past Perfect I had lived alone before I moved to Mexico. How + Adjective or Adverb How tall is he?	Describe Life Events Adjectives for Age

Listening	Speaking and Pronunciation	Reading	Writing	Video Journal
General and Focused Listening An Interview: Rice Farming	Comparing Diets Discussing Types of Food Linking Words Together	The Paleo Diet: Natural and Healthy?	Writing Main Ideas and Supporting Details	Wide Awake Bakery This National Geographic Short Film Showcase video describes how baking delicious bread can change your life.
General and Focused Listening Conversations: Small Talk	Talking about Yourself Starting a Conversation Have or Has vs. Contractions	Endangered Languages	Giving Examples	Marie's Dictionary This National Geographic Short of the Week video describes Marie's efforts to archive her native Wukchumni language and save her language and culture for others.
General and Focused Listening A Radio Interview: Jardin Nomade in Paris	Discussing the Future of Your City Describing the Pros and Cons of Cities Stressed Syllables Before -tion Suffix	Streets for People	Writing a Paragraph With a Good Topic Sentence	How to Reinvent the Apartment Building In this TED Talk, Moshe Safdie talks about reinventing high-rise apartment buildings and making them better.
Focused Listening Discussions: Different Lifestyles	Talking about Staying Healthy Suggesting Easy Remedies Linking with the Comparative and Superlative	Attitude Is Everything	Writing a Paragraph Using Supporting Details	Living Beyond Limits In this TED Talk, Amy Purdy explains how obstacles can help us be creative.
General and Focused Listening An Interview: Dr. Jenny Daltry: Wildlife Conservationist and Ecologist	Discussing Challenges Talking about Abilities Words That End in <i>-ed</i>	Making a Difference: Bali	Writing a Paragraph about a Challenging Experience	Success Story: Recycling in the Philippines In this National Geographic video, we learn how communities in the Philippines created a solution for discarded plastic fishing nets.
General and Focused Listening Conversation: Becoming an Adult	Talking about Events in Your Life Getting More Information The Schwa Sound /ə/ in Unstressed Syllables	Innovation in Africa	Writing a Paragraph to Describe a Life Transition	The Magic Washing Machine In this TED Talk, Hans Rosling explains the incredible effect a simple machine can have on our lives.

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7 Things that Matter Page 86	 Discuss Spending Habits Talk about Needs and Wants Discuss What Makes People's Lives Better Talk about Different Lifestyles Set Priorities 	Passive Voice (Present Tense) A large amount of plastic is thrown away every day. Passive Voice with By The plastic bottles are washed by powerful machines.	Spending Habits Irregular Past Participles
8 Conservation Page 100	 Talk about Consequences Discuss Ways to Solve Future Problems Describe a Situation Discuss Conservation Projects Explain a Conservation Issue 	Real Conditionals in the Future If we don't control pollution, more sea animals will become extinct. Review of Quantifiers There are too many endangered species.	Climate Change Adverbs of Manner
9 Life Now and in the Past Page 114	 Discuss Life in the Past Contrast Different Ways of Life Talk about How Things Were Done in the Past Discuss Historical Facts Describe a Historical Wonder 	Used to People used to travel by horse and cart. Passive Voice in the Past A large amount of plastic bags were used every day.	Life in the Past Separable Phrasal Verbs
10 Travel Page 128	 Talk about Organizing a Trip Talk about Different Kinds of Vacations Use English at the Airport Discuss Travel Describe a Cultural Event 	Expressing Necessity I must make a reservation. Expressing Prohibition You must not take pictures here.	Travel Preparations At the Airport
11 Careers Page 142	 Discuss Career Choices Ask and Answer Job-Related Questions Talk about Career Planning Explain New Careers Create a Personal Profile 	Modals for Giving Advice You should choose a career that fits your personality. Indefinite Pronouns Everyone in the audience was laughing.	Careers and Jobs Participial Adjectives
12 Celebrations Page 156	 Describe a Celebration Compare Holidays in Different Countries Express Congratulations and Good Wishes Talk about Rituals Share Opinions about Holidays 	Comparisons with <i>as as</i> New Year's is as exciting as Independence Day. Would rather I' d rather have a big party.	Festivals and Holidays Expressions for Celebrations

	Speaking and	D. T	w	ver i
Listening General and Focused Listening Discussions: Needs and Wants	Pronunciation Discussing Spending Habits Talking about Priorities Content vs. Function Words	Reading A Zero-Waste Lifestyle	Writing Writing about Your Future Life	Video Journal The Dogist In this National Geographic Short Film Showcase video, Elias Weiss Friedman explains how he finds happiness while taking photos of dogs.
General and Focused Listening A Radio Program: The Bluefin Tuna	Talking about Issues That Affect Nature and Their Consequences Talking about Protecting Animals Phrases in Sentences	Making a Difference: Small Changes	Writing a Paragraph about an Environmental Issue	Life Lessons from Big Cats In this TED Talk, Beverly and Dereck Joubert explain how getting to know the personalities of big cats can help protect Africa.
General and Focused Listening A Talk: The Sami People	Comparing Life Now and in the Past Discussing How Things Used to Be in the Past Reduction of <i>Used to</i>	The Silk Routes	Writing a Paragraph on One of the New 7 Wonders of the World	Searching for Genghis Khan This National Geographic Learning video describes how Albert Lin uses the power of technology and the contributions of non-scientists in the search for historical sites.
General and Focused Listening Conversations: Vacations	Discussing Preparing for a Trip Describing Things You Do at the Airport Reduction of <i>have to</i> and <i>has to</i>	Four Reasons Why Traveling Is Good for You	Writing a Travel Blog	Why Art Thrives at Burning Man In this TED Talk, Nora Atkinson describes how curiosity and engagement are inspired by this art festival.
General and Focused Listening An Interview: A Restaurant Owner in Thailand	Discussing Career Choices Talking about Career Planning Intonation in Questions	Changing Careers	Writing a Personal Profile	Joel Sartore: The Photo Ark In this National Geographic video, Joel Sartore talks about his work documenting animal species.
General and Focused Listening Discussions: Local Celebrations or Holidays	Describing Celebrations Expressing Congratulations and Good Wishes Question Intonation with Lists	The Rituals of Life Events	Writing a Substantiated Opinion	Dance of the Flyers: Jacinta's Journey In this National Geographic Short Film Showcase video, Jacinta describes her journey as the first female flyer in Mexico.

Food for Life



Look at the photo and answer the questions:

- 1 Does this vegetable grow where you live?
- In what dishes can you use this vegetable?



GOAL Contrast General and Current Actions

Vocabulary

A Read the suggestions for healthy eating.



Tips for a Healthy Diet

Nowadays, many people are trying to eat a healthier diet. Eating healthy meals is not hard to do. Here are some easy ways to eat better:

- Take the time to prepare delicious dishes that are also good for you. Food you make at home is usually healthier than food from a restaurant or cafeteria.
- Eat dishes with healthy ingredients, such as vegetables, and ones without much sugar or salt.
- In many places, fresh food is available at farmers' markets.
 Farmers bring a variety of crops to these markets, including many kinds of fruits and vegetables.
- Although most of your meals should be healthy, it is fine to enjoy some ice cream or cookies on special occasions like your birthday.

Vibrant farmers' market in Funchal, Madeira Island, Portugal

B Write each word in blue next to the correct meaning.

1. _____ the kind of food you usually eat

2. _____ to make something ready

3. ______ better or more important than other things

4. _____ breakfast, lunch, and dinner

5. _____ describes something you can find or get

6. _____ plants grown by farmers for food

7. _____ food that is cooked in a certain way

8. _____ different kinds of something

9. _____ people who grow and produce food

10. _____ types of food that are combined to make a dish

4 Unit 1

WORD FOCUS
Use the -s ending

with the third person

singular (he / she / it).
Mr. Kim **sells** some

of the most delicious

salad ingredients.

Grammar

Simple Present and Present Continuous		
Use the simple present to talk about habits and things that are generally true.	I normally don't eat eggs for breakfast. Fresh vegetables are always available at the market.	
Use the present continuous to talk about actions and events that are happening now.	My father is preparing a special dish for tonight's dinner, and I am watching and learning how to make it.	
To form questions, use do/does with the simple present and am/are/is with the present continuous.	Do you follow a special diet? Is she celebrating her birthday tonight?	

C	Discuss the statements below in pairs. Which things does the speaker usually
	do? Which things is the speaker doing right now?

- **a.** I am eating an apple.
- **c.** I buy fruit at the grocery store.
- **b.** I eat breakfast at 9.

- d. I am making coffee for you.
- D Complete each sentence with the simple present or present continuous form of the verb.
 - **1.** My mother and I _____ (prepare) a meal together every afternoon.
 - 2. In Mexico, most people ______(eat) a big meal in the afternoon.
 - 3. Right now, my mother and I _____ (make) a dish called enchiladas.
 - 4. I really like enchiladas. Sometimes I _____ (have) them for breakfast!
 - **5.** Now my mother _____ (tell) the whole family to come to the table.
 - **6.** We _____ (enjoy) at least one meal together every day.
- E In pairs, take turns doing the following.
 - **1.** Tell your partner what you usually eat for breakfast and lunch.
 - 2. Tell your partner three things people you know are doing right now.
- F Use the phrases in the box to talk about things...
 - ...you usually do.
 - ...you never or almost never do.
 - ...you are doing (or not doing) right now.

carry a cell
phone
check your email
climb a mountain
eat fruit for
breakfast
eat lunch in a
cafeteria
practice English
grammar
talk with a
classmate
try new foods
wear athletic
shoes

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GOAL CHECK

Contrast General and Current Actions

Complete this sentence three times. Two of the sentences should be true, but one should be false: I usually $____$, but today I'm $___$.

Read your sentences to a partner in any order. Your partner will guess which sentence is false.

I usually wear glasses, but today I'm wearing contact lenses.

I usually carry my phone to class, but today I'm letting my sister use it.

GOAL Describe Regional Foods

Listening

- A Look at the picture. In pairs, discuss these questions.
 - 1. What are important foods that everyone in your country eats?
 - 2. Where in the world do farmers grow rice?
 - 3. Why do they grow it there?
- B \(\begin{aligned} 2 \) Listen to the interview. Circle the correct letter.
 - 1. Who is the interviewer talking to?
 - a. a restaurant owner
- **b.** a rice farmer
- c. a news reporter
- 2. What is happening in the rice paddy today? People are...
 - **a.** planting rice plants.
- **b.** planting seeds.
- **c.** letting water into the paddy.
- **3.** What kind of climate does rice need?
 - a. hot and dry
- **b.** warm and wet
- c. cool and humid
- C \(\begin{aligned} 2 \) Listen again and answer the questions.
 - 1. Why doesn't the rice farmer plant seeds like other farmers?
 - 2. How is the rainfall this year? _____
 - 3. What happens to the water in the rice paddy after the rice plants grow?
 - **4.** What happens to the rice plants after they're dry? ___

WORD FOCUS

Farmers raise or grow crops.



Communication

- Follow the instructions with a partner.
 - 1. List some of the foods that grow well in your part of the world. They can be crops, meat, or seafood.
 - 2. Talk about the dishes people make from each of these foods. What are the ingredients? Do you enjoy eating the dish?
- **MY WORLD** Do you try to buy local foods from farmers in your area? What are some advantages and disadvantages of doing this?

PRONUNCIATION: Linking Words Together

When a word ends in a consonant sound, and the next word begins with a vowel sound, the words are usually linked together.

We cut the rice **plants and** clean them.

We grow a lot of rice.

- Listen to the sentences. Notice the pronunciation of the linked words. Then, listen again and repeat the sentences.
 - **1.** We're eating dinner now.
 - 2. Her favorite dish is chicken with rice.
 - Famers work on weekends and holidays.
 - 4. Paul and I don't like fish very much.
 - 5. Coffee grows well in Colombia.
 - **6.** Rain falls in all seasons where I live.



GOAL CHECK Describe Regional Foods

1. Think of a special dish from your area or region of the world. Take a few notes about each question below. Then use your notes to tell a partner about the special dish.

What is the name of the dish? When are the ingredients available? When do people usually eat it? How do people prepare the dish? What are some of the ingredients? How do you feel about the dish?

2. Get together with another pair and tell them about the special dishes you described.

> The dish is called ceviche, and it is popular in Peru. We make it with seafood and lime juice. Some of the other ingredients are...

Language Expansion

A Look at the Healthy Eating Pyramid from Australia. In pairs, choose the correct phrase from the box to complete each sentence below.



- d. milk, yogurt, and cheese
- e. pasta, bread, and rice
- f. pizza and canned foods
- **1.** Vegetables that are high in **vitamins** include _____.
- **2.** Foods high in **protein** include meat, _____.
- **3.** Many people eat **grains** at every meal. Grains include _____.
- **4.** Many fruits are sweet. Fruits that have a lot of **sugar** in them include _____.
- **5. Dairy** foods come from animals such as cows. ____ are all dairy.
- **6.** Don't eat too much **salt**. Salty foods include _____.

Grammar

WORD FOCUS

year

With the simple past, we often use: yesterday / the day before yesterday days / weeks / years / months ago last week / month /

Simple Past			
Use the simple past to talk about completed past actions or situations.	We learned how to make pizza yesterday. Our class was interesting last week.		
Some verbs are regular in the simple past. They have an -ed ending.	ask-asked cook-cooked learn-learned need-needed		
Some verbs are irregular in the simple past.	choose-chose eat-ate give-gave go-went		

- B Follow the instructions in pairs.
 - **1.** List 10 of your favorite things to eat and drink.
 - **2.** Talk about the nutrition in each item on your list. Use some of the **bold** words from **A**.
 - 3. Plan a healthy meal. Explain your plan to another pair of students.

Pasta is delicious. Do you think it's healthy?

It has some protein and vitamins, but I don't think you should eat a lot of pasta.

We chose peach yogurt as the dairy food. It has some sugar in it, but it's also high in protein.

Mary:	Tell me abou	t yourself, Pedro.			
		, , , ,	(travel) to Greed	ce.	
-	` '	(go) to G			
Pedro:			y friend Vasilys and his family		
	•	, ,	ound Athens and (5) e (6) (eat) a lo		
Mary:	That sounds		(cai) a 10	ι:	
Pedro:			d and lamb, and I (8)		
-		nce so it is true for you. U your sentences with a par	lse the simple past and word rtner.	s from	dairy dish
1. (eat)	Yesterday, I _				grain(s)
2. (like)	When I was a	child, I			meal
3. (prep	are) Last wee	k, I			protein
4. (buy)	The last time	I went to the grocery stor	re,		salt special
5. (orde	r) The last tim	e I went to a restaurant, _			sugar
					vegetable(s)
onvers	ation				vitamins
	lose your boo it made from?		rsation. What is Albert eating)?	
Albert:		ry this! My aunt made it.			
Mary:		elicious! What is it?	ula a a k		
Albert: Mary:		puscous. It's made from v his on top of the couscou			
-		tables and some kind of			
Mary:		r aunt learn to cook it?			
Albert:	J	ncle married a woman fro from. They always ate it	m North Africa. That's where on special occasions.		REAL LANGUAGE When you share food with someone, you
Mary:		resting family history!			can say:
Albert:	Yeah, and a	great family recipe.			You should try this! Would you like to try it
Practice	the conversati	on. Tell your partner abou	t foods from other parts of the	world.	Do you want a bite?
✓ G(DAL CHE	CK Describe Fa	avorite Dishes	My v	hole family ate my
ou want to	share a photo		social media website. In pairs	_	dmother's spaghetti. Do hink I should write that?
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Food for Life 9

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GOAL Discuss Diet Trends

Reading

- A In pairs, describe diets that you or someone you know have followed. Were they effective?
- B Read the title and the first sentence of each paragraph. Which of these popular diets is / are mentioned in the article?
 - a. vegan diet
- c. low-calorie diet
- **b.** paleo diet
- d. raw foods diet
- Read the article. Write examples of different foods in the correct columns.

Foods people eat on a paleo diet	Foods people do NOT eat on a paleo diet

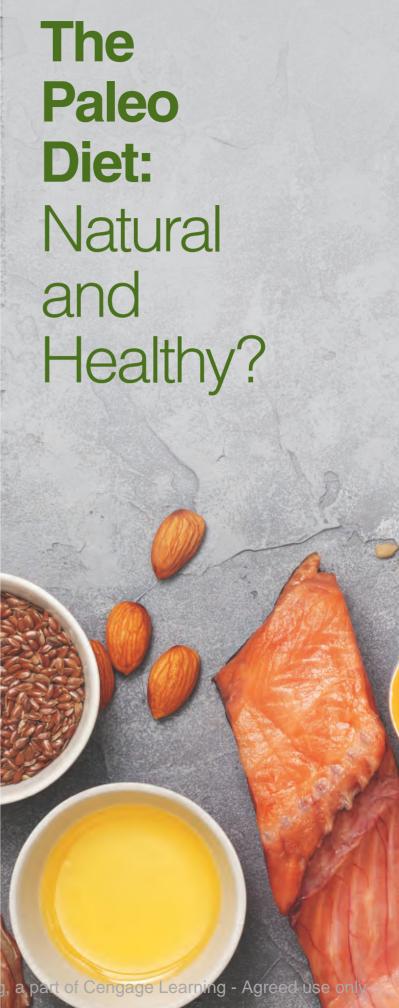
- Pead the question at the end of the first paragraph. Match each answer below with the correct person. There is one extra answer.
 - a. A person who is following a paleo diet
 - **b.** Dr. Peter Ungar
 - **1.** _____ Maybe, because there are many choices at the supermarket.
 - **2.** _____ No, because not eating certain kinds of food isn't healthy or natural.
 - **3.** _____ Yes, because not eating foods from farmers is more natural.

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GOAL CHECK

Create a one-day menu plan for a paleo diet. What might that person eat for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks? Then, discuss the questions.

- 1. Would this diet work well for you? Why?
- **2.** Does the paleo diet seem enjoyable? Practical? Healthy?



Modern supermarkets give us many choices. There are colorful fruits and vegetables, fresh fish and meat, many kinds of bread, eggs, yogurt, and cheese. But at the same time, people in the modern world are **experiencing** health problems, such as diabetes and heart disease. Could the food we eat be causing some of these problems?

One explanation for modern health problems is that they began when human beings became farmers about 12,000 years ago. Around that time, people started growing and eating crops, such as wheat and rice. Some people believe that returning to an earlier way of eating—a "paleo diet" that includes only meat, fish, and fruits and vegetables—might be a solution to our modern health problems.

A paleo diet is special because it doesn't include grains, dairy foods, or legumes, such as peanuts or beans. For many of us, it is not possible to prepare our favorite dishes without these ingredients. But people who follow a paleo diet only eat foods people ate before farming began. They believe this is a more natural and healthier way to eat.

For Dr. Peter Ungar, the **truth** is not so simple. In human history, people have eaten a wide variety of foods. Early human beings lived in different places with different climates, so many kinds of food were available to our **ancestors**—including some grains—even before farming began. Dr. Ungar says our **ability** to eat in many different ways and to be healthy whether we live in the Arctic or in the tropics is the important thing. One thing is certain, though: If you do decide to try a paleo diet, remember that your meals might actually have less variety than the meals of your early ancestors.

experience have something happen to you truth facts, not things that are imagined or invented ancestors parents, grandparents, and other people who lived before you

ability quality or skill that makes it possible for you to do something



GOAL Give Details to Support Your Ideas

You can have a picnic at a park or at the beach. It's very informal, and you might eat sandwiches or salads and fruit.

Communication

A Discuss the questions in a small group.

Many social events include food. What do you know about each social event below? Where does it take place, how many people are there, and what do they usually eat and drink?

a birthday party a dinner party a family dinner lunch with coworkers an outdoor picnic a wedding dinner or feast

B Describe a recent social event in your life. What happened? What did you eat?

Writing

C Read the information in the box. Then discuss the questions below.

Main Idea

When you are reading, it is important to look for the writer's main ideas. These are the important points or claims the writer wants to make. For example:

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One explanation for modern health problems is that they began when humans became farmers thousands of years ago.

Supporting Details

After you read a main idea, it is helpful to look for details—information that helps you understand the main idea or believe the writer's claim. For example:

...in human history, people have eaten a wide variety of foods.

Many kinds of food were available to our ancestors.

- 1. What main idea do the details in the box above support?
- 2. How do the details help you understand or believe that main idea?

WORD FOCUS

claim something that a person says is true



Read the paragraph from an internet food blog. Notice the main idea (underlined) and the details that support the main idea.

There are many good dishes to serve at a dinner party, but I recommend baked lasagna. It is great for parties because it is a dish you can make in advance. For example, if you have time the night before the party, you can make the lasagna and put it in the refrigerator until the next day. In addition, everyone seems to like lasagna. If your guests eat meat, you can make a meat and cheese lasagna, but if your guests are vegetarian, a vegetable lasagna is just as delicious. A good tomato sauce, together with the pasta and other ingredients, is really all you need. Lasagna can even be vegan if you can find good vegan "cheese" at the store. Finally, it's a good party food because you don't need to prepare a lot of other dishes when you serve lasagna. A simple green salad and some Italian bread go well with lasagna. And maybe some dessert—after all, it is a party!

vegetarian a person who does not eat meat, fish, or chicken vegan contains no animal foods, including milk, cheese, or eggs

REAL LANGUAGE

Quotation marks can tell us a word is being used in an unusual way. Vegan "cheese," for example, is not made from milk.

Read the paragraph again and complete the outline below.

Main Idea: I recommend baked lasagna for a dinner party.

Supporting Details: 1. You can make lasagna in advance.

📴 In a small group, brainstorm ideas for these possible writing topics. What ideas do you have about each topic? What details might you include?

Write about a social event you attended recently.

Write about a bad meal that you had.

Write about people's eating habits in your country or culture.

Choose ONE topic from the list above and write a paragraph in your notebook. Your paragraph should have a main idea near the beginning and three or four supporting details.

WRITING NOTE

You can use because to introduce reasons. Notice the two places the blog writer uses because.



Give Details to Support Your Ideas

In pairs, discuss the topic you chose.

VIDEO JOURNAL **WIDE AWAKE BAKERY** 2020, 2015, 2010 National Geographic Learning, a part of Cengage Learning - Agreed use only

What do you think daily life is like for bakers people who bake bread for a living? Discuss your ideas with a partner.

In Your Opinion: A Baker's Life

- **1.** Bakers start working very early in the morning.
- Т

F

- **2.** Bakers have to do the same thing over and over again.
- ГБ
- **3.** Bakers are creative and make a variety of different breads.
- T F
- **4.** Bakers make a food that is very important in people's daily diets.
- T F
- **5.** Bakers need to practice a lot to become good at their job.
- Т
- **6.** Bakers do a boring job. It's not very exciting work.
- T F
- Read a quotation from the manager of the Wide Awake Bakery in Ithaca, New York, USA. In pairs, talk about the meaning of the quotation.

I don't want to say that the bakery is an experiment. But, it's more like... it's more like saying, "Why not? Why not do it right?"

- Stefan Senders
- Watch the video and take brief notes. What do you notice about...
 - 1. ...the two people in the video (Stefan Senders and David McInnis)?
 - 2. ...the bakery (where the bread is made)?
 - **3.** ...the bread dough (before it is baked)?
 - 4. ...the bread oven?
 - 5. ...the finished bread (after it is baked)?

- In pairs, practice using the expressions from the video.
 - 1. Tell each other about a time when you were "climbing the walls." Why were you so bored?
 - 2. Tell each other about a time when you tried something and "nailed it."
- E In pairs, talk about the meaning of the quotation below. Is McInnis really talking about dancing?
 - "You're learning a dance, and you're thinking about the steps all the time. ... And when you learn the dance, you just kind of do it—you don't have to think about it anymore."
 - -David McInnis
- Tell your partner about something you have learned to do well. What are the "steps"? How did you learn to do them?

REAL LANGUAGE

A **sweet spot** is a time or place where everything happens perfectly.

When you study for an exam, find the sweet spot between not enough and too much study.