

CHAPTER 1

Carlota loves to **cook**. She is a **chef**. She cooks food for people all day. She has a restaurant. Her restaurant is a boat on the river. People love her food. It is a **famous** restaurant. Carlota is a good chef.

Jerome and Carlota live in an apartment **next to** the river. They can see the restaurant from the window of the apartment.

“I can be a good chef too,” says Jerome. “I will cook for you.”

Carlota is worried. Jerome is not a good chef. Jerome cannot cook.

cook (v) to prepare food

chef (n) a person who cooks food for people to eat

famous (adj) very well-known

next to (preposition) beside; very close to



Carlota loves to cook. She is a chef.

“Do not worry,” says Carlota. “I will cook.”

“You always cook,” says Jerome. “I will cook.”

Jerome is happy. He wants to cook Carlota a nice meal. What will he cook? He needs a **recipe**.

Jerome goes to the **bookshelf**. The bookshelf has a lot of books on it. Jerome needs a cookbook. Jerome picks a good cookbook. It is a big book. It's from the Middle East. It has a lot of recipes.

Jerome needs to pick a good recipe. What does Carlota like to eat? She likes **lamb**. Jerome will pick a recipe with lamb in it. Carlota also likes eggs. He will pick a recipe with lamb and eggs. Carlota also likes tomatoes. Jerome will pick a recipe with lamb, eggs, and tomatoes in it.

recipe (n) a set of instructions for making food

bookshelf (n) a shelf to keep books on

lamb (n) meat from a young sheep



Jerome needs to pick a good recipe.

What does Carlota like to eat?

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Test 1

Are the following sentences TRUE (T) or FALSE (F)?

1. Jerome is a chef. T / F
2. Jerome and Carlota live in an apartment next to the river. T / F
3. Jerome buys a recipe book from the bookshop. T / F
4. Jerome and Carlota have a cat. T / F
5. Jerome meets Dan at the supermarket. T / F
6. Jerome goes to the supermarket on a sunny day. T / F
7. Jerome picks up the red curry powder and puts it in his basket. T / F
8. Oscar doesn't like the lamb. T / F
9. Jerome puts the spoonful of red curry powder into the pan. T / F
10. The meal tastes so delicious. T / F
11. Carlota is angry with Jerome. T / F

Test 2

Who said this in the story? *Jerome, Carlota, Dan*

1. "I can be a good chef too."
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2. "Can you get some cat food?"
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3. "I need to go to the supermarket."
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4. "Come and have a drink with me."
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5. "The supermarket is closed!"
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6. "You are wet."
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7. "I am cooking a nice meal."
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8. "Do you need help?"
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9. "Yellow is mild. Red is spicy."
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10. "I just need to add the eggs."
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VOCABULARY CHECK

Test-1

Complete the sentences with these words.

meal spoonful wet nearly hurry
 famous recipe floor mild chef

- I want to order a curry.
- He adds one of curry powder into the pan.
- It's 12 o'clock. I should go to bed.
- I have a good for apple pie.
- This restaurant has a new He cooks very delicious food.
- Venice is for its gondolas and water taxis.
- Sorry, I can't talk to you now. I am in a
- The children are, but they like playing in the rain.
- He wants to cook a nice for his wife.
- The shopping bags are on the kitchen

Test 2

Find the following words in the wordsearch. They are all across or down.

RECIPE SAD FAMOUS
 CHEF MEAL SPICY
 EGG WHISPER BOOKSHELF
 ONION NEARLY

P	S	S	I	N	W	Y	S	R	I
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I	L	I	A	Y	E	K	K	A	S
O	B	M	M	F	R	R	M	L	T
N	B	O	O	K	S	H	E	L	F
J	P	Z	U	R	E	C	I	P	E
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