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
“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.

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**recipe** (n) a set of instructions for making food
**bookshelf** (n) a shelf to keep books on
**lamb** (n) meat from a young sheep
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.”
   ............................................................................
2. “Can you get some cat food?”
   ............................................................................
3. “I need to go to the supermarket.”
   ............................................................................
4. “Come and have a drink with me.”
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5. “The supermarket is closed!”
   ............................................................................
6. “You are wet.”
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7. “I am cooking a nice meal.”
   ............................................................................
8. “Do you need help?”
   ............................................................................
9. “Yellow is mild. Red is spicy.”
   ............................................................................
10. “I just need to add the eggs.”
    ............................................................................
VOCABULARY CHECK

Test-1

Complete the sentences with these words.

meal       spoonful       wet       nearly       hurry
famous       recipe       floor       mild       chef

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

Test 2

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

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