



NOODLES

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Use Your Noodle!

1. What were two reasons given in the podcast for why noodles are so popular?

- ☐ They fill you up.
- ☐ They're made with wheat, which is easy to grow.
- ☐ They're eaten a lot in China, and China has a huge population.
- ☐ They're fairly cheap.
- ☐ They can be combined with lots of sauces and flavours.
- ☐ They only take two minutes to cook.

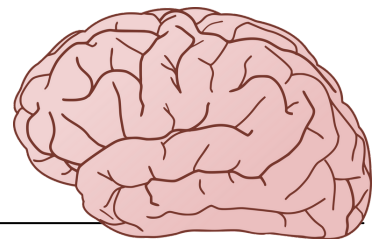
2. What does an archaeologist do?

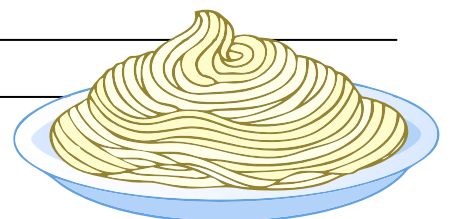
- ☐ Studies how buildings are made.
- ☐ Studies human history by examining ancient objects, called artifacts.
- ☐ Eats 4,000-year-old noodles.

3. You'll have a long life with good luck if you do what with your *Yi Mein* noodles in China?

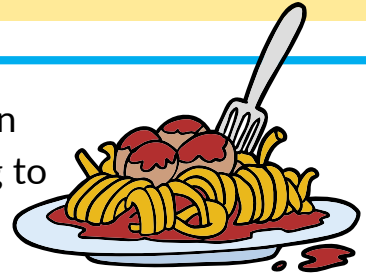
- ☐ Slurp them.
- ☐ Eat them with meatballs.
- ☐ Eat them without biting through or breaking the noodles.

4. Have you heard the phrase "Use your noodle!" before? It's used when someone is being a bit silly and needs to think. Where do you think it might come from?





5. Italians who moved to America invented the topping on the spaghetti in the picture. Why did it take them moving to another country to come up with the idea?

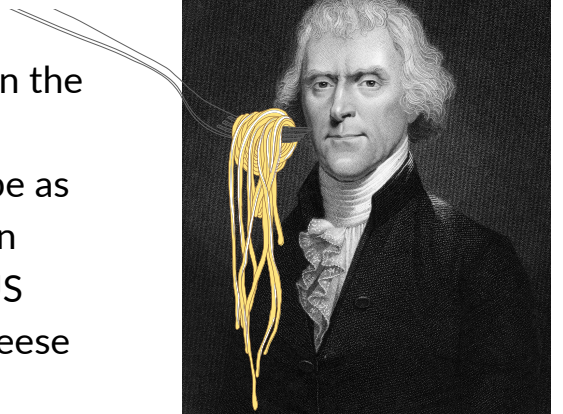


6. What kind of noodles are more common in Southeast Asia, and why?

- ☐ Long noodles, because they bring good luck.
- ☐ Rice noodles, because rice grows well in wet, tropical places.
- ☐ Egg noodles, because they eat a lot of chicken and so they have a lot of eggs.

Did You Know?

The first pasta machine in the United States wasn't brought over by those Italian immigrants in the late 19th century. It arrived much earlier, in the luggage of Thomas Jefferson. He'd been in Europe as America's ambassador to France, and had fallen in love with Italy's noodles. When he was elected US President in 1801, he often served pasta with cheese at official White House dinners.



7. How do you think guests would react if they were served mac & cheese at an official dinner with the President in 2021? Why do you think that?
