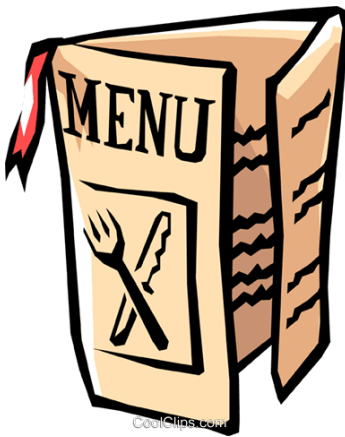


Menu

Your task this week is to write a menu.

You'll need to **decide what kind of restaurant** or café it is for. Talk about places you have visited and enjoyed before. It could be:



- a pizza restaurant
- a beach café
- a fast food restaurant
- a take-away restaurant
- a posh French restaurant
- a place that only serves your favourite foods
- a restaurant for very picky eaters
- a place that serves unusual foods that no-one has heard of before

... or anything else you can think of!

If you can, have a **look at some real menus**. Often, they describe the food as well as list what there is to eat. You might have some takeaway menus at home, or you can view menus for many restaurants online.

You could **role-play your own restaurant** – lay the table, seat your guests and give them their menus. This would be a good way to talk about the food that's on your menu before you write about it.

Decide how to present your menu – think about:

- which colours you use
- what material you write it on (card is more durable than paper)
- whether to draw pictures of some of the foods on the menu
- which sections to include: starters, main courses, desserts, drinks and so on.



Hedgehog Class

Remember to include in your writing:

- A **title** for your menu (the name of the restaurant)
- **Sub-headings** for each section of your menu (starters, main courses etc.)
- **Finger spaces** between your words.
- Use your **phonics** to sound out the words carefully.
- Clear **handwriting** so that customers can read it

Swift Class

Remember to include in your writing:

- A **title** for your menu (the name of the restaurant) and **sub-headings** for each section of your menu (starters, main courses etc.).
- Clear **handwriting** so that customers can read it.
- **Pictures** to make it attractive.
- **Adjectives** to describe the food (*sizzling, hot sausages or crisp, green lettuce*).

Bee Class

As above, and also;

- Catchy **names** for your dishes, e.g. *mouth-watering mushroom marvel*
- A brief, but detailed **description** of the dish, e.g. *pan-fried, butter-kissed egg melange with fresh young leaves of the finest Himalayan cress.*
- **Exaggerate and persuade!** E.g. *Delight in the sumptuous selection of miniature iced desserts.*
- **Layout** is easy to follow and organised.
- **Present** the information clearly and attractively, using pictures and colours.
- Give reasonable **prices** for the food on offer.

Butterfly Class

Focus on all of the things above, and:

I want you to think carefully about the purpose of your writing: to make people excited to eat your food.

Research and use really ELABORATE and ACCURATE food language, which makes your customers' mouths water and makes your food seem LUXURIOUS and DELICIOUS.

Give your dishes exotic names that really capture people's imagination (you might even find out the name of your food in a different language to make it seem even more exciting).

E.g. Beans on toast could be: *Fagioli su pane grigliato – hand-plucked and sun-ripened Madagascan beans, delicately-baked in a sharp and luxurious tomato ragu then drizzled over crisp flame-grilled bread, which has been smothered in rich butter.*