



Food vocabulary brainstorming games

Worksheet 1- Brainstorming by category

With your partner, write as many different English words or expressions as you can in the categories below. If there is something you don't know the word for but can explain by drawing, miming or describing the function, you can ask your teacher for help.

Kitchen equipment	Ways of cooking food	Other things you do to food

Using your bilingual dictionaries, try to add at least three words or expressions to each column.



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Worksheet 2- Categorizing food vocabulary

Put these words into the three categories on the previous page:

bake	cling film	boil	aluminium foil
can opener	corkscrew	fry	bottle opener
measuring cup	potato peeler	grill	cooker/ stove
measuring spoon	oven	fridge	stir fry
mixing bowl	freezer	kitchen roll	fish slice
poach	chop	roast	slice
rolling pin	dice	kitchen knife	mix
bread knife	squeeze	spoon	separate
spatula	grind	steam	dishwasher
egg timer	wooden spoon	sieve	cooking chopsticks
colander	chopping board	whisk	peel
food processor	grate	kitchen scales	cheese grater
frying pan	spread	saucepan	apron
mash	serving spoon	toast	stew
pickle	wash	oven glove	crush
press	smoke	wrap	roll
tongs	pepper grinder	coffee grinder	stir
microwave (oven)			

Use your monolingual dictionaries to check your answers.

Check your answers on the next page.



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Worksheet 3- Answer key

Kitchen equipment	Ways of cooking food	Other things you do to food
cooking chopsticks	poach	mix
dishwasher	grill	squeeze
measuring cup	bake	slice
cooker/ stove	roast	separate
potato peeler	fry	chop
bottle opener	boil	grind
spatula, rolling pin	steam	whisk
egg timer	toast	dice
can opener	stew	peel
bread knife		grate
sieve, mixing bowl		spread
freezer, kitchen roll		mash
fish slice		wash
spoon		pickle
cling film		stir fry
kitchen knife		crush
measuring spoon		press
oven, microwave		smoke
fridge		wrap
aluminium foil		roll
corkscrew		stir
wooden spoon		
chopping board		
whisk		
colander		
food processor		
frying pan		
kitchen scales		
cheese grater		
saucepan, apron		
serving spoon		
oven glove, tongs		
pepper grinder		
coffee grinder		
microwave (oven)		

In pairs, test each other by reading out one of the words or expressions that were new to you and seeing if your partner can remember which category it fits in.

Working together, cover one of the columns above and see how many of the words and expressions you can remember.



Food vocabulary brainstorming games- Worksheet 4- Brainstorming by collocation,

Work with a partner to write as many foods as you can that fit in with the top section below in the time limit that your teacher sets you. When you have finished, exchange pieces of paper with another team and check their answers. Do the same with each of the sections below that your teacher chooses (or they may let you choose your own).

*Make sure you write each food in the right form, e.g. **a** potato, **some** potatoes or **some** potato- if more than one is possible you can score more than one point by writing them both/ all*

Boil +
Fry +
Grill +
Chop +
Slice +
Steam +



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Worksheet 5- Brainstorming by pronunciation, grammar and container

Foods and drinks including the schwa sound (the last sound in “computer”)
Foods and drinks with four syllables
Uncountable foods and drinks (please write as “some _____”)
Countable foods (please write as “some _____ s”)
Foods that can be countable and uncountable
A carton +
Container + food or drink, e.g. a jar of jam (please only put one food for each container)