

Food and drink in the USA

1. The hamburger

Many people who live in the USA don't have much time for cooking at home. They buy their food at **fast food** restaurants because snacks and **junk food** like **doughnuts**, chips or hamburgers are easy to eat.

The most **popular** fast food in the USA is the hamburger. The hamburger got its name from the city of Hamburg. There many people liked eating **ground steaks**. German **immigrants** brought the **recipe** for ground steaks to the USA. They called the ground steaks 'hamburger steaks'.

In 1904 hamburger steaks were **served on buns** for the first time. People liked them so much that they **soon** became very popular.

When the first McDonald's fast food restaurant was opened in California in 1949, the hamburger was the most important **item** on the **menu**. The people liked the fast service in this restaurant, and soon there were thousands of McDonald's restaurants all over the USA.

Today there are McDonald's restaurants all over the world, and still the most popular item on the menu is – the hamburger.



1a. Let's check.



Many US-Americans
They like
A hamburger
German immigrants
The first McDonald's restaurant
The people liked
In McDonald's restaurants

is a ground steak on a bun.
was opened in 1949.
the hamburger is the most popular item on the menu.
the food and the fast service.
like to eat in fast food restaurants.
hamburgers best.
brought the recipe for ground steaks to the USA.

1b. Fill in the right prepositions.



The hamburger got its name _____ the German city of Hamburg.
Hamburg was famous _____ ground steaks.
Hamburger steaks are served _____ buns.
In 1949 the first McDonald's restaurant was opened _____ California.
The hamburger is still the most popular item _____ the menu.
Many people like to eat hamburgers _____ chips.
A lot of Americans like to buy their food _____ fast food restaurants.

Here you find the missing prepositions: for / on (2x) / from / with / at / in

1c. What is the text about?

(Gib die wichtigsten Aussagen des Textes sinngemäß auf Deutsch wieder!)



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2. Chewing gum

Millions of people all over the world like **chewing gum**. But chewing gum is not a modern **invention**. **Indigenous peoples** of Mexico have chewed **chicle** for thousands of years. It is a natural gum from a tropical **tree**.

In the 19th **century** Thomas Adams bought some chicle from a Mexican. In 1871 he sold his first gum balls. Then, in the 1890s, William Wrigley made the first chewing gum as we know it today. He made gum into **flat sticks** and put peppermint or **juicy flavour** into them.

During the First and the **Second World War** US-American **soldiers** brought chewing gum to Europe. Now it can be found all over the world.



2a. Let's check. Underline the correct answers and write the sentences into your exercise book.



Long before there was modern chewing gum, chicle was a kind of chewing gum for ...	Americans. indigenous peoples of Mexico. the people of New York.
Thomas Adams ...	sold chicle to a Mexican. made chicle into a drink. made chicle into gum balls.
William Wrigley ...	sold chewing gum to US-American soldiers. made the first flat gum sticks. was very rich.

2b. Let's talk about chewing gum.

Do you like chewing gum? – When and where do you chew it?



I	always sometimes often never	chew chewing gum	at school during the break at home in the morning after school at night	because	it helps me to concentrate. I love/hate the taste of it. my mum doesn't like it. my teacher hates it. I like to stick it under my table/chair.
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Tätigkeiten im Simple Present

Will man ausdrücken, dass etwas regelmäßig (sometimes / often), immer (always) oder nie (never) geschieht, verwendet man das Simple Present. Die Wörter always / sometimes / often / never werden immer vor das Verb gestellt.

Beispiele: I **often chew** chewing gum. / I **never drink** beer.



2c. What do you always / sometimes / often / never do?

(Write sentences into your exercise book.)