



A CHEF'S TOOLS



What are some tools that no chef can live without? No kitchen is complete without a **cutting board**, **grater**, **vegetable peeler** and **can opener**. Chefs use these items before they start cooking. And even small kitchens have **spoons** and **whisks**. These are for mixing food. After food is done, chefs use **spatulas** or **ladles** to serve food.

What is a chef's most important tool? No chef enters a kitchen without a **knife roll**. This contains all of the knives a chef needs during a restaurant service. The most important knife in that set is a **chef's knife**. Many cooks like using one of these knives because it can perform a number of tasks.

Get ready!

1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.

- 1 What items do people use to prepare food?
- 2 What can you do with a chef's knife?

Reading

2 Read the article about chefs' tools, and then choose the correct answer.

- 1 What is the main idea of the article?
 - A ways to care for cooking equipment
 - B the items that cooks commonly use
 - C the uses for different types of spoons
 - D how chefs prepare their tools
- 2 According to the passage, chefs' knives are popular because they...
 - A are inexpensive.
 - B come with a knife roll.
 - C do many things.
 - D are easy to clean.
- 3 According to the passage, which of the following items is NOT used to prepare food before cooking?
 - A vegetable peeler
 - B knife
 - C spatula
 - D whisk

Vocabulary

3 Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to the underlined part.

- 1 Helen uses the kitchen tool with a flat side to pick up the piece of cake and set it on the plate.
 - A spatula
 - B ladle
 - C whisk
- 2 Roger chops the fruit on a piece of wood used to cut foods on.
 - A can opener
 - B knife roll
 - C cutting board
- 3 Paulina takes the skin off of the carrots by using a kitchen tool that strips the outside of foods off.
 - A vegetable peeler

4 Match the words or phrases with the blanks.

1 ladle / spoon

- A Ricky uses his _____ to eat his cereal.
- B The chef gets the _____ and serves the soup.

2 chef's knife / cutting board

- A I crushed the garlic and cut it into small pieces with my _____.
- B It damages the surface to cut directly on the counter, so I always use a _____.

3 can opener / knife roll

- A Jack keeps his knife collection in his _____.
- B Lisa opens the tuna can with a _____.

4 whisk / grater

- A Olivia uses the _____ to mix the eggs.
- B Sam cuts the cheese into small pieces with a _____.

5 Listen and read the article again. Which utensils are used to combine different types of food?

Listening

6 Listen to a conversation between a line cook and a dishwasher. Then mark the following statements as true (T) or false (F).

- 1 ___ There are no clean spatulas in the kitchen.
- 2 ___ The man gives the woman a grater.
- 3 ___ The woman plans to wash the utensils.

7 Listen again, and fill in the blanks.

Line Cook: Hi, Kevin. I need your help.
 Dishwasher: 1 _____, Kathy?
 Line Cook: I need a spatula, but I think we're
 2 _____ clean ones.
 Dishwasher: Yes, there's a 3 _____ of them at the sink. Do you need me to wash a few for you?
 Line Cook: Yes, please. And can you wash the
 4 _____ for me, as well?
 Dishwasher: Sure, I'll do that 5 _____.
 Line Cook: Thanks a lot! Please leave the
 6 _____ at my station.
 Dishwasher: No problem.

Speaking

8 With a partner, act out the roles below, based on the dialogue from Task 7. Decide who Student A and Student B are. Then switch roles.

USE LANGUAGE SUCH AS:

- I need your help.
- I need a...
- Do you want me to wash them for you?

Student A: You are a line cook. Tell Student B:

- what utensils you need
- where to put the clean utensils

Student B: You are a dishwasher. Listen to Student A and ask about:

- how you can help him or her
- where to put the clean utensils

Writing

9 Use the conversation in Task 8 to complete the instructions from the line cook to the dishwasher.




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 Dear _____,
 I need your help. Please wash the following
 utensils for me: _____

 Place the clean tools _____
 Thanks for your help.
 Best, _____

Kitchen Utensils

Match the kitchen things

Fork - Apron - Pot - Cup - Colander - Cutting board - Spoon
Spatula - Oven Mitt - Knife - Grater - Saucepan - Frying pan
Rolling pin - Plates - Bowl



KITCHEN APPLIANCES VOCABULARY MATCHING WORKSHEET

Choose the correct words from the list below and write them under the correct pictures



WORD LIST

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- blender
- mixer
- toaster
- scale
- deep fryer
- fridge
- dishwasher
- washing machine
- coffee maker
- microwave
- egg boiler
- cooker
- grill
- kettle
- mincer
- juicer