

I. READING

Did you know that there is a fruit juice that you can cook with, wash with and preserve things with? Well, there is. It has been used for thousands of years in countries such as Greece, Italy and Spain. What is it? It's olive oil, of course, and it's fast becoming the most popular oil in the world.

Although people in Mediterranean countries have been using it for over 4,000 years, it has only recently become popular in other parts of the world. In fact, people beyond the Mediterranean once saw olive oil as little more than an exotic but expensive luxury. However, recent studies linking an olive oil-rich diet with low rates of heart disease have made the rest of the world sit up and take notice. As a result, more and more people have come to realise the many health and nutritional benefits of giving up other oils and using olive oil instead.

As well as tasting delicious and being the healthiest cooking oil available, olive oil has many other uses. It is a major ingredient in many cosmetics, hair conditioners and soaps. It also has a wide variety of lesser known uses, such as fixing squeaky doors and even polishing diamonds. It's also a preservative, and will keep fish and cheese fresh for years.

Perhaps more important, though, is olive oil's value as a medicine. Not only can eating olive oil lower the risk of serious diseases, such as cancer and heart attack, it can also have a healing effect on many stomach disorders. On top of this, Mediterranean people have traditionally used it to treat minor wounds and illnesses. This could explain why people in Mediterranean countries tend to live longer.

So the next time you go shopping, don't forget to add olive oil to your list. It will make your food taste better and your life last longer!

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1. Olive oil

- ☐ A) is a fruit
☐ Б) is gaining popularity all over the world
☐ В) has been used since about 2,000 BC
☐ Г) is used only in Mediterranean countries

2. The people of the Mediterranean

- ☐ A) use olive oil for many purposes
☐ Б) think olive oil is too expensive
☐ В) have recently discovered olive oil
☐ Г) have a high rate of heart disease

3. Olive oil is used to

- ☐ A) cook dishes
☐ Б) fix squeaky doors
☐ В) preserve some food
☐ Г) polish diamonds

4. Olive oil can't be used to

- ☐ A) keep cheese and fish fresh
☐ Б) polish wood
☐ В) produce cosmetics
☐ Г) remove paint

5. Olive oil can

- ☐ A) cure heart disease
☐ Б) heal serious injuries
☐ В) cause stomach problems
☐ Г) help people live longer

6. Olive oil can protect people from

- ☐ A) cancer
☐ Б) heart disease
☐ В) injuries
☐ Г) stomach disorders

7. Choose true sentences.

- ☐ A) Sunflower oil is as healthy as olive oil.
☐ Б) Ukraine is a Mediterranean country.
☐ В) Olive oil is used to make soaps.
☐ Г) A Mediterranean diet seems to be very healthy.

II. COMMUNICATION**8. A: I'd like your advice. How can I cut down on my household bills?**

B:

- ☐ A) You shouldn't spend so much money on clothes.
☐ Б) You had better give up smoking.
☐ В) If I were you, I'd buy energy saving bulbs.
☐ Г) You ought to try to save water.

9. A: I don't like strawberries.

B:

- ☐ A) Nor do I.
☐ Б) Are you sure? They are really delicious.
☐ В) No, thanks.
☐ Г) Oh, yes, please! I'd love some.

10. A: Our English teacher used to be a karate champion.

B:

- ☐ A) Are you sure? It's good.
☐ Б) Be careful!
☐ В) Did he? How amazing!
☐ Г) Really? Why not?

11. A: I think Facebook is fantastic.

B: In my opinion teenagers spend too much time on it.

- ☐ A) I'm afraid I disagree
☐ Б) Yes, I can't stand it
☐ В) Actually, I think you're wrong
☐ Г) I don't think so

12. A:

B: No, not really. I'd rather not play computer games.

- ☐ A) Let's play 'Heroes'.
☐ Б) Shall we play 'Heroes'?
☐ B) I like playing 'Heroes'.
☐ Г) Do you fancy playing 'Heroes'?

13. You can see this notice

NO TRESPASSING

- ☐ A) in a park
☐ Б) on the lamp post in the street
☐ B) on the fence of a private property
☐ Г) at the airport

14. A:

B: No problem.

- ☐ A) Do you mind if switch off the light?
☐ Б) Is it alright if I switch off the light?
☐ B) Would you mind if I switched off the light?
☐ Г) Would you like switching off the light?

III. VOCABULARY

15. There's a hole in my new jeans. I have to a complaint.

- ☐ A) make ☐ Б) give
☐ B) do ☐ Г) take

16. That man a bank last Friday.

- ☐ A) stole ☐ Б) robbed
☐ B) burgled ☐ Г) mugged

17. You have to be really careful what you say to Margaret. She's very

- ☐ A) immature ☐ Б) sensible
☐ B) stubborn ☐ Г) sensitive

18. Mark decided to go on a diet as he's

- ☐ A) overweight
☐ Б) plump
☐ B) too fat
☐ Г) very fit

19. Mr Wood, the solicitor, usually a reasonable fee.

- ☐ A) pays
☐ Б) amounts
☐ B) counts
☐ Г) charges

20. Winning a gold Olympic medal is a real

- ☐ A) success
☐ Б) track event
☐ B) achievement
☐ Г) failure

IV. GRAMMAR

21. My brother was very angry because somebody his mobile.

- ☐ A) has stolen
☐ Б) stole
☐ B) has been stolen
☐ Г) had stolen

22. Our History project next week.

- ☐ A) will be finished
☐ Б) will finish
☐ B) might be finished
☐ Г) must finish

23. I know a man wife is a journalist.

- ☐ A) who ☐ Б) whose
☐ B) who's ☐ Г) that

24. What would you like on Saturday?

- ☐ A) doing ☐ Б) to do
☐ B) do ☐ Г) to doing

25. I'd rather after school.

- ☐ A) go swimming
☐ Б) we are swimming
☐ B) to go swimming
☐ Г) we went swimming

26. A: I haven't seen the Tower of London yet.

B:

- ☐ A) So have I.
☐ Б) Nor have I.
☐ B) I have.
☐ Г) Neither have I.

27. I have eating crisps and chocolate to get slimmer.

- ☐ A) stopped ☐ Б) thrown away
☐ B) given up ☐ Г) run out of

28. My parents Spanish when they were at school.

- ☐ A) learned ☐ Б) must learn
☐ B) used to learn ☐ Г) learnt

29. My siblings spent an hour this afternoon cleaning up their room

- ☐ A) themselves ☐ Б) ourself
☐ B) themselves ☐ Г) themself

30. I'm just thinking (1) applying (2) a part-time job soon.

- ☐ A) (1) on; (2) with
☐ Б) (1) of; (2) for
☐ B) (1) of; (2) about
☐ Г) (1) about; (2) for