## Unit 3: Eating In or Eating Out

## Unknown: The World's Greatest Teacher

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crowded	encourage	famous	flow	grow
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"A bad day can be made better with some good food." This is just one of many **famous** quotes by "Unknown." Some of the most **successful** ideas and useful sayings come from unknown people. Why is this?

Long ago, most people could not write. They could not even sign their names. But although their names may be lost, sometimes their sayings **flow** through time and **grow** more and more important. People **quickly** learn to trust these old sayings because they are true and helpful.

Some of these unknown people were probably teachers who liked to **encourage** their students. Perhaps others were parents who wanted to **prepare** their children for life. Many were just ordinary people who learned important things from their daily experiences. When they shared their ideas, they did not know their words would become **famous**.

Modern life in **crowded** cities can be full of stress, but quotes like these can help us feel **positive**. They give us advice about love, work, friendship, and happiness. Sometimes they **surprise** us because they directly connect to our lives today. At college, work, and at home, people often use these traditional sayings to express their feelings.

Quotes help us learn about many parts of life. They help us understand our feelings, our favorite activities, and our connections with others. When we feel worried, these quotes can **encourage** us. When we need to make choices, they can guide us.

Some people might worry that we don't know who said these words first. But perhaps this makes the quotes even more special. When words are by Unknown, they belong to everyone. They show us that great ideas can come from anyone, anywhere, at any time. They connect us to all the unknown people who helped make our world better.

It is not just quotes that are useful. Unknown people have made many important discoveries, too. They were the first to learn how to **prepare** foods we eat today. Nobody knows who first discovered that milk could become cheese, or who made the first bread. Unknown people changed how we eat.

Many successful inventions also came from unknown people. Nobody knows who invented the wheel or who first discovered how to make fire. These unknown people helped life become easier. When we feel worried about modern problems, it is helpful to think about how unknown people in the past found solutions.

Some of our favorite stories also come from unknown people. Long ago, storytellers would entertain children with stories of heroes. These stories became **famous** all around the world, and many **successful** movies and books come from them.

When we think about all these unknown people—the ones who gave us useful quotes, important discoveries, great inventions, wonderful stories, and beautiful art—we can understand something special: there are many important advances because of people we will never know about.

## Questions

- 1 Why are many important sayings by unknown people?
  - A) Most people could not write in the past.
  - B) Other people forgot their names.
  - C) They wanted to stay unknown.
  - D) Their names were lost over time.
- 2 What often happens when people hear old sayings?
  - A) They try to find who said them.
  - B) They question their meaning.
  - C) They learn to trust them.
  - D) They change them for modern use.
- 3 What is true about the people who created sayings?
  - A) They were teachers and ordinary people.
  - B) They were mostly famous people.
  - C) They were usually rich people.
  - D) They were community leaders.
- 4 How do people use traditional sayings today?
  - A) Very little
  - B) In many places
  - C) In books and magazines
  - D) To talk to elderly people
- 5 What is NOT mentioned about how quotes can help people?
  - A) They help us understand how we feel.
  - B) They help us make decisions.
  - C) They help our studies at school.
  - D) They help our understand our relationships.
- 6 What is mentioned about great ideas?
  - A) People should write them down.
  - B) Experts have most of them.
  - C) They are usually very old.
  - D) They can come from anyone.
- 7 What makes quotes by Unknown special?
  - A) They belong to all people.
  - B) They come from all over the world.
  - C) They are very old.
  - D) They are very easy to remember.
- 8 What does the author say about unknown people and food?
  - A) Unknown people invented restaurants.
  - B) Unknown people discovered how to make cheese.
  - C) Unknown people created cooking schools.
  - D) Unknown people wrote the first cookbooks.
- 9 Which invention is mentioned as coming from unknown people?
  - A) The internet
  - B) The calendar
  - C) The telephone
  - D) The wheel
- 10 How did stories from long ago sometimes become popular? A) Through kings and queens

B) Through storiesC) Through community leadersD) Through books