



## DBH 1. MAILA New English in Use (Student's Book)

### BEFORE READING THE TEXT

1. Predicting question
2. Connecting question

1. Look at the pictures next to the text. What can you see?
2. What do you usually have for lunch or dinner?

### Bugs for Dinner

Did you know that 14th October is National Chocolate-Covered Insect Day in the US? On that day, instead of their usual meal of chicken or steak or ham, some adventurous people eat insects with chocolate on them! Why insects? Well, they are very good for you and they are usually free. In the ancient world, insects were a common food for this reason. They were popular in ancient Greece and Rome. Today, most of us prefer hamburgers, but people still eat insects and other bugs in 80% of the countries in the world.

Thailand and Colombia are countries with large jungles – and large ants. Not surprisingly, these hard-working insects are a popular snack in both places. In Cambodia,

tarantulas are a favourite street food. Why tarantulas? At one time, there wasn't much meat in Cambodia, but there were many tarantulas. The huge spiders were a good solution for the hungry Cambodians. The people of Cambodia still love them today. A large part of Australia is desert, and food was also a problem for the first Australians, the Aborigines. Witchetty grubs, a type of insect, were a common Aboriginal dish. Today, people on trips with Aboriginal guides eat the grubs, and many restaurants in Australia have got them on their menu. According to some people, they taste just like chicken!

So, what do you think? Do you want to have bugs for dinner tomorrow?



#### Did You Know?

Eating insects is also good for the environment. Farm animals cause global warming because they produce greenhouse gases. Insects don't do this, and they are also cheaper to feed than farm animals.





Now read the text

DURING READING THE TEXT

1. Scanning question

1. Look quickly at the article and find the following information.

- a – a date .....
- b – a city in Italy .....
- c – a country in South America .....
- d – a country in Oceania .....

AFTER READING THE TEXT

- 1. Inferential question
- 2. Literal question
- 3. Inferential question
- 4. Literal question
- 5. Opinion question

1. Choose two correct endings for each sentence.

1. Insects and other bugs are...

- a. the only food in 80% of the world.
- b. good for you.
- c. an ancient food.

2. In Thailand and Colombia, ants are...

- a. big.
- b. in hamburgers.
- c. a popular food between meals.

3. Tarantulas are...

- a. always hungry.
- b. common in Cambodia.
- c. Still a popular food in Cambodia.

4. Visitors to Australia...

- a. Sometimes travel with Aborigines.
- b. Sometimes try Aboriginal food.
- c. Never meets Aborigines.



2. Answer the questions.

1. What happens on 14th October?
2. Why were insects a common food in the ancient world?
3. Where do people buy tarantulas in Cambodia?
4. Why were grubs a popular Aboriginal food?
5. Which food does the writer compare to grubs?

3. Find words in the text to match the definitions below.

1. ordinary (lines 5-10)
2. like better (lines 5-10)
3. small meal between the main meals (11-15)
4. an answer to the problem (lines 15-20)
5. they show tourists interesting places (lines 20-25)

4. There are six countries in the text. Find them on the map and circle them.



5. Would you like to have bugs for lunch or dinner? Why?