



Unit 24 Eating out

Task 04

Announcer: Listen as the team talks about their preferences for a restaurant.

Melanie: Hi Anna, could you ask the team for suggestions for a restaurant? You should also find out if anyone is allergic to anything, so we're prepared.

Anna: Of course. It's a good idea to find out if anyone has a dietary preference, too. What would you like to eat?

Melanie: I'm lactose intolerant, but I'm happy eating pretty much anything as long as it's well prepared. I'd prefer a restaurant that is elegant and relatively quiet. Or, on a terrace if the weather is nice.

[Pause]

Anna: Hi Tim and Linda. I was wondering if I could talk to you about what kind of restaurant you'd like to go to when we're in New York?

Tim: Sure, I'd prefer a real American restaurant with steaks and barbeque, but I'm actually ok with anything. ... but I'm allergic to peanuts.

Linda: I'm trying to cut back on gluten and fat, so I'd prefer a restaurant with healthy options. I'd just like to go somewhere that serves food that I would only try in New York, I don't know, something like healthy finger food ...

[Pause]

Anna: Hi Peter, I was just talking to Tim and Linda about their preferences for a restaurant. What kinds of food are you interested in trying?

Peter: Well, actually, I'm going vegan. I'll eat anywhere as long as they have food for strict vegans. That means without eggs, dairy, and of course, meat.

Anna: Ok ... (sighs, to herself) ... this could be hard. I have to find a beautiful, quality restaurant that will serve Tim BBQ, has healthy finger food for Linda and something vegan for Peter. At least I'll try anything.