



THE HAMBURGER STORY

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PDF 2: Varied Speaking Activities

Activity 1: Image Discussion (Pairs)

Look at the image and answer:

1. What do you see in the big picture?
2. What do the two small pictures show?
3. Which part of the hamburger story do you find most interesting?

Activity 2: Food Journey Discussion

In groups, discuss these questions:

- What is a famous food from your country or culture?
- Does it have an interesting story or history?
- How has it changed over time?

Activity 3: Numbered Dilemma / Role-Play Prompts

Close your eyes and point to a number (1–10). Act out the situation with your partner.

1. You are a German immigrant in 1900 America trying to explain what a “Hamburg steak” is.
2. You are a street vendor selling the very first hamburgers. Convince customers to try it.
3. You work at a modern fast food restaurant. A customer complains that the hamburger is not good.
4. You are explaining the history of the hamburger to a friend who has never eaten one.
5. You and your friends are deciding where to eat — fancy restaurant or hamburger place.
6. Someone says “Hamburgers are unhealthy!” Defend or agree with them.
7. You are inventing a new hamburger for a famous fast food chain.
8. A tourist from another country tries a hamburger for the first time.
9. You are a parent trying to stop your child from eating too many hamburgers.
10. You just invented a completely new type of “healthy” hamburger.

Activity 4: “Design Your Dream Hamburger”

In pairs or small groups, create your **perfect hamburger**.

Decide:

- What will be inside (meat, vegetables, sauces, special ingredients)?
- What will you call your special hamburger? Present your creation to the class.

Activity 5: Quick Reflection

Answer one of these:

- Would you like to try the original Hamburg steak? Why or why not?
- What food from your culture would you like to introduce to the world?