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## Day One

# Polite Eating Around the World

### Part 1: Silent read

➔ How is polite eating different around the world? Read silently.

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Some Americans at Applebee's finish all their food. But many people leave food on their plates. This is impolite in other countries. If you're eating with people from Japan, you try to finish every bite of your food. Unfinished food shows you didn't like the meal. It's an insult to your hosts. But people from Cambodia feel that finishing every bite is rude. If you don't leave food behind, it tells your hosts they didn't give you enough to eat.

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## Part 2: First timed read

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## Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

How is polite eating different for people from Germany and France?

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Where in the world do people try to finish everything on their plates?

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### Part 4: Phrase-cued reading

- Read the passage **out loud** in phrases to your partner.
- Pause at each / mark for a phrase.
- Also pause at each // mark that shows the end of a sentence.

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I read the passage in phrases out loud to my partner.