

For Advanced Kids Learners

Book 1

Time to Talk

Lesson 11_ History of Chopsticks



- Warm-up questions

Do you know how old the chopsticks are?
Who made the chopsticks?



- Read and learn

History of Chopsticks

The history of chopsticks is very long. Chopsticks **were** first **invented by** the Chinese and have **existed** for over 5000 years.

exist

to be alive or to have
reality



- **Read and learn**

The earliest chopsticks were made of animal's bones or **twigs** from a tree. Over time the bamboo and wooden chopsticks became more famous. They used it in cooking and eating hot food **along with** a spoon. But it was never used to pick up food that was **grainy**. They used it to pick up the vegetables in the **stew** so they wouldn't burn their hands.



twig

together with somebody
or something.

along with



grainy



stew

- **Read and learn**

When the Chinese started eating rice, they began to eat rice with chopsticks quickly and easily. From then on, people used chopsticks to eat any kind of food. In addition, chopsticks **spread** from China into **other East Asian countries** like Korea, Japan and Mongolia. Today, 30% of the world uses chopsticks.

spread

To move to bigger places
or areas.

Other East Asian Countries:



Korea



Japan



Mongolia

• Activity

twigs

existed

along with

East Asian countries

grainy

stew

spread

Fill in the blanks.

1. My mother cooked _____ for dinner.
2. I went to the party _____ my brother.
3. John traveled to some _____.
4. The dog loves to catch the _____ that I throw.
5. The chopsticks have _____ for 5000 years.
6. The Chinese did not use chopsticks to pick up _____ food.
7. A virus has _____ around the city.

- Grammar



was/were invented by + somebody ...

To say that a thing or some things was or were first made by someone.

Examples

Chopsticks **were** first **invented by** the Chinese

The light bulb **was invented by** Thomas Edison.



Fill in the blanks.

- The _____ **was invented by** _____.
- The airplane _____ the Wright brothers.



telephone



Alexander Graham Bell

- Write **T** if the sentence is **true** and **F** if it is **false**.

True or False?

- _____ **1** The Chinese were the first people to use the chopsticks.
- _____ **2** The first chopsticks were made of metal.
- _____ **3** Chopsticks are used by East Asian countries.
- _____ **4** The Chinese used chopsticks for picking up food so they don't burn their hands.
- _____ **5** 80% of the world uses chopsticks now.