1 TOPIC QUESTION

What is the strangest food you have ever eaten?

今まで食べた中で一番変な食べ物は何ですか?

2 ARTICLE

Directions: Read the following article aloud. 課題: 以下の記事をはっきりとした声で音読しましょう。



Strange Food

I love food and I'm always willing to try something new, especially foreign food. In Spain I tried rabbit and octopus, they were both really delicious. One of the strangest foods I have ever eaten was in Japan. When I arrived in Japan some people suggested that I try something called natto.

Natto is traditional Japanese food made from fermented soybeans. Some people find natto a little strange as the smell and taste is quite strong and also the texture is a little strange. Most Japanese people love natto and it is actually very healthy. Taste can be a very subjective thing some people love certain foods while others hate them. For example, I love olives but many people absolutely hate them.

So I decided to try it one day. I thought it looked a little strange but I tried not to judge the food by its appearance. I took my first bite then tried another but I couldn't finish it. It wasn't bad but it was just too strange for me. They say that natto is an acquired taste so maybe if I try it again I will eventually begin to like it. Maybe some day I'll try natto again but for now I will stick to miso ramen.

3 VOCABULARY

Directions: First repeat after your tutor and then read aloud by yourself.

課題: 先生の後に続いてくり返した後、今度はひとりで発音してみましょう。

willing 進んで~する especially 特に suggest 提案する fermented 発酵性の

texture 歯ごたえ、食感 absolutely まったくもって judge ~と判断する appearance 見かけ

4 Questions

Directions: Read the questions aloud and answer them.

課題: 質問を声に出して読んだ後、答えてみましょう。

- 1. What type of food did the writer eat in Spain? How was it?
- 2. Why do some people find natto a little strange?
- 3. What happened when the writer tried natto?
- 4. What is the strangest food you have ever eaten?