



# Anniversary Dessert

Conversation > Advanced 7



## Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

<b>puree</b>	Food prepared by straining or blending.
[noun]	<i>Ex: This is the most delicious apple <b>puree</b> I have ever tried.</i>

<b>strainer</b>	A device used to separate liquids from solids.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Drain noodles through a <b>strainer</b> set over a bowl.</i>

<b>whisk</b>	A kitchen utensil for stirring eggs, cream, etc. very quickly.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Mix eggs, flour, milk, and sugar well with a <b>whisk</b>.</i>

<b>beat</b>	To mix rapidly with a kitchen utensil, such as a fork or whisk.
[verb]	<i>Ex: <b>Beat</b> the eggs and then gradually mix in the flour.</i>

<b>mold</b>	A container or frame used to shape other things.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Chocolate is melted at a specific temperature and poured into the <b>molds</b>.</i>



<b>zest</b>	The outer skin of an orange, a lemon, etc., when it is used to add flavor in cooking.
[noun]	<i>Ex: The secret of this tart is the lime <b>zest</b>.</i>

<b>blender</b>	A kitchen appliance used to mix ingredients.
[noun]	<i>Ex: If you have a <b>blender</b>, you can make a smoothie at home.</i>

<b>confectioner's sugar</b>	Powdered sugar used for sweetening and decorating candies and desserts.
[noun]	<i>Ex: At the end, sprinkle some <b>confectioner's sugar</b> on the top.</i>

<b>good call</b>	Used to express approval of a person's decision or suggestion.
[phrase]	<i>Ex: <b>Good call!</b> I would've done the same thing.</i>



## Exercise 2 – Dialogue

*Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.*

James: Happy anniversary, my love! Good call on staying in instead of going to a restaurant.

Kate: Happy anniversary, James. It's nice to just be somewhere we can relax and be ourselves.

James: I hope it wasn't too much work to cook the meal.

Kate: It didn't take that much longer than usual. Wait till you try the dessert.

James: There's dessert!? I got engaged to the right woman! What did you make?

Kate: It's sort of like a lemon pie. You got me that new whisk and strainer as an anniversary gift, so I used it.

James: Sounds good! How did you make the lemon pie?

Kate: I used the strainer to separate some egg whites, and then I beat them until they were fluffy.



James: What did you do after that, Kate?

Kate: Hmm... Then I mixed in some confectioner's sugar and the zest of a lemon to add to the flavor.

James: Sounds pretty tasty so far. It must be absolutely delicious!

Kate: After creating that mixture I baked it in a mold so that it had a hollow center.

James: Why did you make the center hollow?

Kate: Because I made a puree of lemon and honey in the blender, and I wanted to pour it into the hollow part.

James: Yum! It sounds amazing! I can't wait to eat it. I just wish it had frosting on it, though!

Kate: Oh, yes! The recipe I found said I should cover the whole thing with frosting. So, I did that too.



## Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

*Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.*

### Answer Pool

blender

Good call

mold

zest

whisk

confectioner's sugar

Beat

strainer

puree

1. Use a \_\_\_\_\_ to mix it; it'll be a lot faster.
2. Blend the fruit in a \_\_\_\_\_ until you have a smooth texture.
3. You can use a \_\_\_\_\_ to separate the water from the pasta.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ the eggs, then add cheese to make an omelet.
5. \_\_\_\_\_! I can see why you were chosen to be the leader!
6. Add two tablespoons of tomato \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The chef used the \_\_\_\_\_ to shape the cake.
8. Can you give me the grated lemon \_\_\_\_\_?
9. He added the \_\_\_\_\_ to make the dessert tastier.



## Exercise 4 – Role Play

*Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.*

**Scene:** You are making your favorite dessert. Talk with your friend Peter about it and describe the process of making it to him. The teacher can be Peter.



## Exercise 5 – Discussion

*Discuss the following questions with your tutor.*

1. Do you like cooking? Why? Why not?
2. Do you like it when someone cooks for you? Why? Why not?
3. What is your favorite dish? Why?
4. What is the easiest dish to cook in your opinion? Explain the process of cooking it.
5. Do you like sweets? What are your favorite sweets or desserts?