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| Making Negative Comments on Food |  |  |
| A: George, how is your chicken? | A: George, is your chicken OK? | A: Does your chicken taste all right? |
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| B: My chicken tastes all right, but it is pretty dry. How is your fish? | B: It tastes great, but it is really dry. Is your fish all right? | B: The chicken tastes wonderful, but it is kind of dry. Is your fish OK? |
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| A: My fish is pretty dry too. | A: My fish is very dry. | A: My fish has good seasoning but is a little dry. |
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| B: It's almost as if this food has been sitting a little too long. It doesn't seem fresh. | B: I wonder if they left it sitting around too long before they served it. | B: It seems as if they got busy and left it sitting before it got to us. |
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| A: Yes, it seems that way to me also. | A: That's exactly what I was thinking had happened. | A: Yes, maybe they are short-handed in the kitchen tonight. |
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| B: How are your vegetables? | B: Are your vegetables OK? | B: Are your vegetables a little mushy? |
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| A: My vegetables are very soggy. | A: The vegetables are kind of mushy. | A: The vegetables seem to not be very fresh. |
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| B: Mine are the same way. It seems like they've been overcooked. | B: So are mine. I think they left them cooking too long. | B: Mine aren't so good, either. |
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| A: I don't usually complain, but I think that we should mention this to the waiter. | A: The food here is usually good, so I think that we should tell the waiter that there is a problem. | A: I usually enjoy the meals here, so I think that we should tell the waiter that there is something wrong with this meal. |
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| B: I agree. Maybe they can bring us some better food. | B: I think that you are right. Maybe they can give us a free dessert or something. | B: I think that we should let someone know. They will probably want to fix the problem. |