FOOD AND COOKING

Describing food

- · delicious, home-made, moist, rich cake
- · a creamy, delicious, rich dessert
- a delicious, savoury, tasty, traditional dish
- a balanced, decent, delicious, gourmet, healthy, hearty, home-cooked, light, nutritious, proper, tasty meal
- · crisp, crunchy, fresh, green, light salad
- creamy, rich, spicy, sweet-and-sour, tangy, thick sauce
- a healthy, light, quick, salty, savoury/savory (esp. BrE), tasty snack
- clear, creamy, hearty, home-made, thick, thin **soup**



Quantifiers

- · a clove of garlic
- a fillet/filet of fish
- a **head** of lettuce
- a **knob** of butter (*BrE*)
- a pat/stick (AmE) of butter
- a pinch of salt
- a rasher (esp. BrE)/
 slice of bacon
- a sprig of parsley
- a **stalk** of celery (*AmE*) a **stick** of celery (*BrE*)

Preparation

- sprinkle, top with grated cheese
- beat, whisk eggs
- clean, fillet, gut, skin fish
- chop, grind (*AmE*), marinate, mince (*BrE*), slice, tenderize **meat**
- add, blend, combine, mix, pour in, stir in ingredients
- · chop, peel, wash vegetables

Cooking

- · melt, soften butter
- boil, fry, poach, scramble eggs
- · bake, fry, grill, poach, steam fish
- · fry, grill, roast meat
- brown, soften onions
- • heat (up), stir soup; bring soup to the boil
- boil, roast, sauté, stir-fry, steam vegetables
- preheat the oven to 350°
- lower, remove the pan from, take the pan off, turn down/up the heat

Serving

- garnish with herbs
- sprinkle with lemon juice
- · drizzle, pour oil
- drain pasta
- · ladle soup
- carve meat
- · dress, toss a salad
- · season (with salt and pepper) to taste