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PAT

I think the way you eat is really weird.

LES'

I beg your pardon?

PAT

Every day we come down to the cafeteria, and every day you order the same thing.

LES'

No, I don't.

PAT

You always order a Fudgesicle, a bag of ripple chips, a Dr. Pepper and a sandwich.

LES

I order different sandwiches. It's not always the same.

PAT

But every day you order your sandwich with extra dill pickles. Then you open the sandwich, take out all the pickles and put them on your plate.

LES

I like dill pickles but I like them with my ripple chips instead of the sandwich.

PAT

So why don't you just ask for a side order of pickles?

LES

That would cost twenty-five cents. They don't charge for extra pickles in a sandwich.

PAT

You do that just to save a quarter?

LES

It adds up.

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It's a quarter!

LES'

Twenty-five cents, five days a week is \$1.25. \$1.25 times forty-eight weeks is \$60.00 per year. It does add up.

PAT

I say it again... I think the way you eat is weird.

LES!

I beg to differ.

PAT

To save a quarter a day.

LES

Yes.

PAT

What's the weirdest thing you've ever eaten?

LES

You don't mean ripple chips and pickles?

PAT

No. I mean, have you ever eaten something like.... ostrich, or horse? Different.

LES'

I ate eel once.

PAT

No.

LES

Yeah. I didn't know what it was. It was a friend's party at a Chinese restaurant and the waiter asked if I was enjoying the eel. I thought he said "meal" so I said it was delicious.

PAT

Was it?

LES'

I guess it was. I thought it was some kind of fish so I asked what type it was. He told me again that it was "eel". Ugh!

PAT

Have you ever eaten snails?

LES

Escargot?

PAT

Yeah, snails. Have you?

LES!

Sure. Garlic and melted butter.

PAT

So you wouldn't eat eel again but slimy slugs are okay?

LES'

Escargot! They are not slugs.

PAT

Oh, it's okay when it has some fancy foreign-sounding name. They're not snails, but escargot. It's not octopus legs, it's calamari. Would you eat a bug?

LES!

Cooked or raw?

PAT

You are so gross.

LES:

People have survived days by eating bugs.

PAT

Name one.

LES

That American pilot that got shot down over in Bosnia. He lived on bugs and dew.

PAT

What do you mean "dew"?

LES.

He sucked dew, ya know, water, off of plants and leaves.

PAT

And he ate bugs?

LES!

Had to. There were enemies all around. He had to stay put until some guys rescued him. He ate bugs.

PAT

Okay, fine. That is one.

LESI

I could probably name more if you gave me some time to do research into the topic.

PAT

Forget it. I still think the way you eat is weird.