

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now.

**Two common suffixes in English are ful and less. Choose the correct word for these sentences.**

penniless	useless	plentiful	fearless	truthful
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1. If you have plenty of food, then food is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. If you don't have any money, you are \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Someone who lies a lot is not \_\_\_\_\_.
4. If something is broken, you can't use it any more. It is \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Billy is not afraid of anything. He is \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Becker's Supermarket**

Abby is from a small town, but she lives in a big city now. Every summer, Abby goes home to visit her family. She loves spending time with her family. She also enjoys the delicious meals at home. In Abby's opinion, the food is much better there. Her family has a garden. Her father catches fish in the lake. Her mother bakes fresh apple pies using the apples from their trees.

Abby thinks the food in the city is terrible. For example, in Abby's neighborhood, there is a store called Becker's Supermarket. There are many Becker's Supermarket all over the city. Abby doesn't like shopping at Becker's. At Becker's, there are too many **processed** foods. They are either canned, frozen, refrigerated or dehydrated. These foods have too many artificial **ingredients** like **sweeteners**, **flavorings**, **dyes** and **preservatives**. Even Becker's produce doesn't taste good to Abby because it comes from farms a long way from the city. By the time the produce is trucked in from hundreds of miles away, it isn't fresh. But Abby has to eat. She has a small yard with no room for a garden. There is no lake to fish in, so she usually shops at Becker's.

In July, Abby goes home for a visit. On her first night home, her mother serves a delicious dinner of vegetables and chicken. She serves a peach pie for dessert. Abby says, "Mom, this food is so delicious. I miss this food so much. You can't eat like this in the city." Her mother says, "I'm glad you like the food because I was busy today and I didn't have time to cook. We have a new supermarket in town called Becker's. I bought all the food there."

1. Where does Abby live?
2. Where does she go every summer?
3. What does she like best about the food at home?
4. Why is the food better at home?
5. What does Abby think of Becker's Supermarket?

6. Are you bothered by all the artificial ingredients in food?
7. Do you read labels before you buy something?
8. Do you buy organic foods? Are you worried about GMO foods? In many countries, GMO foods are illegal. But in the U.S. they are legal.
9. What is produce? Why does the produce at Becker's not taste good?
10. What does Abby's mother say about the food she served to Abby?
11. Do you think the food is healthier in your home country than here?
12. Do you think Americans eat too much processed food?
13. Do you have a garden? What do you grow there?
14. Where do you shop for food?
15. Do you ever shop at farmer's markets?
16. Much of our food is grown in Mexico and other countries. In my grocery store they sell apples from New Zealand. That is a long way away. I don't buy apples from New Zealand. I buy apples from the U.S. because they have not taken several weeks to get to market. Do you pay attention to where your food came from?
17. The laws about food are stricter in Europe than in the U.S. U.S. farmers are allowed to use more pesticides. U.S. food makers are allowed to put more chemicals into the food. For this reason, I buy organic. It is more expensive, but it has less fertilizers and chemicals. But many friends say they can't afford to pay so much. So they don't buy organic. How do you feel about organic food?
18. What fresh fruits do you usually buy?
19. What fresh vegetables do you usual

**Practice Speaking: Tell if you agree or disagree with the statement below. Explain your answer. Tell the definition of the words in bold.**

1. I have a hard time finishing things I start. In fact I have some projects I have never finished. Agree or disagree? Talk about any projects you haven't finished.
2. If someone doesn't respond quickly to my text or tweet, I worry that they don't like me. I always answer texts immediately. Agree or disagree? Do your relatives get upset if you don't answer their texts right away?
3. I have a tendency to **procrastinate** and often put things off that need to be done. Sometimes I finish things at the last minute. Agree or disagree? Give an example of something you delayed doing.
4. I really enjoy **unconventional** or far-out movies, art and music. I don't like **traditional** music or design. Agree or disagree? What kind of movies do you enjoy?
5. I like the British tradition of having tea in the afternoon. I often have a snack in the middle of the afternoon. Agree or disagree? What kinds of food would you snack on?
6. **Curling up** with a really good book is often more fun than a social engagement. In fact, I like to spend part of every day by myself, away from other people.
7. If you saw my house you would assume I am a very **organized** person. I like everything in its place.