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A favourite restaurant

Before you watch

1 Read the restaurant review and answer the questions (a–d).

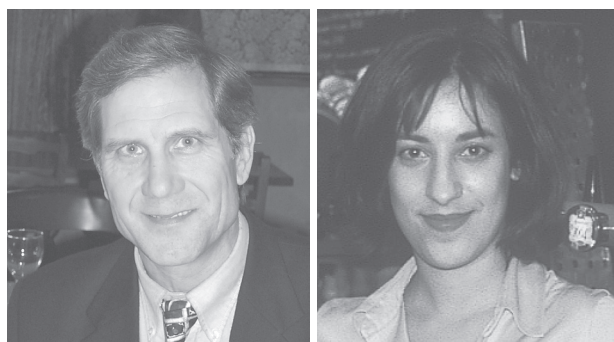
- a) What is the influence behind Med Bar?
- b) What is a *tomato and brie stack*?
- c) What is a *hen night*?
- d) What do *chill out* and *get merry* mean?

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title 'Restaurant reviews'. On the left is a navigation menu with buttons for Home, Location, Reviews, Ratings, Contact us, and Links. The main content area is titled 'Essential Guide to the North West' and features a section for 'Med Bar'. The text in the review describes the restaurant's Mediterranean theme, its location in central Liverpool, and its menu featuring southern European cuisine like tomato and brie stacks, risottos, and French desserts. It also mentions the atmosphere and opening hours (4 p.m. to 2 a.m.).

2 You are going to watch Ronald and Claire talking about their favourite restaurants. Work with a partner, look at their photographs and answer the questions.

Who do you think prefers ...

- | | Ronald | Claire |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) an informal atmosphere? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) a formal atmosphere? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) modern European food? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) traditional English food? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) meat dishes? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f) vegetable dishes? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g) white wine? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h) red wine? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |



Ronald

Claire

While you watch

PART 1 (00:00:00–00:02:46)

3 Watch Part 1 and tick the questions Ronald answers.

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|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Can you describe your favourite restaurant? | <input type="checkbox"/> | e) When are you coming next? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) How expensive is it? | <input type="checkbox"/> | f) What's your favourite dish? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) When was the first time you came? | <input type="checkbox"/> | g) What do you order at other times? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) When was the last time you came? | <input type="checkbox"/> | h) What is the chef's speciality? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | i) What do you enjoy most about it? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | j) Would you recommend it? | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- 4 Work with your partner. How many of Ronald's answers can you remember?
- 5 Watch Part 1 again and complete the extracts (a-f).
- This is my favourite restaurant. We're right _____ the country here ...
 - ... a lovely meal and, _____, at the end of the meal ...
 - ... it was particularly romantic. I _____.
 - ... then to finish off, a lovely _____, sweet English cooked pudding.
 - ... this place has its own particular personal history for me and there's _____ it.
 - Oh, I _____ this restaurant to my friends like that.

PART 2 (00:02:47-00:04:34)

- 6 Watch Part 2 and decide whether these statements (a-f) are true or false.

	True	False
a) Claire's favourite restaurant is the Slug and Lettuce.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) The first time she went was with her boyfriend.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) There is a wide choice of vegetarian dishes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Claire will have a mushroom, roast tomato and brie stack later.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) The restaurant gets busy on a Friday night.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Claire is at the restaurant for a hen night.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- 7 Correct the statements in Exercise 6 which are false.

- 8 Watch Part 2 again and complete the extracts (a-f).
- I first _____ it through my friend ...
 - ... we had lots of wine and _____.
 - ... they've got a really good choice of food, although _____ I'd prefer ...
 - ... some really good sofas to _____ on, which I like to do with my friends.
 - ... it's my best friend's _____.
 - ... and then _____ a salsa club ...

After you watch

- 9 Describe the two restaurants using appropriate words from the box.

urban traditional intimate spacious
old-fashioned modern countrified
fancy classy well-designed stuffy
informal formal sophisticated busy
down-to-earth comfortable trendy



The Mill



The Slug and Lettuce

- 10 Work in groups and discuss these questions.

- Would you prefer to eat at the Mill or the Slug and Lettuce? Why?
- Is eating out expensive in your country?
- How often do you go out to eat? Do you usually only eat out on special occasions?
- Are any foreign cuisines popular in your country? Which do you prefer? Why?
- Have you got any interesting anecdotes to tell about a time you ate out? A strange meal? An occasion when something went wrong?