

# eslactive

## Iron Chef

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In the Iron Chef ESL activity (based on the TV show of the same name), students create a dish/meal from five random ingredients.

 2+  20-40 mins  Internet **or** Prepared Words

### Setup

You will need to give the students random food ingredients. If you have an Internet connection, use our [Random Word Generator](#). Otherwise, prepare them on slips of paper beforehand and put them in a hat/bag/box.

Students can do this activity individually or in pairs.

### Activity

1. Give each student/pair five random ingredients.
2. The students have to create a dish or meal using all of their ingredients. They can also add other ingredients if they wish.
3. They write down the recipe, using the target language.
4. Students/pairs take turns sharing their recipe with the class.
5. At the end the class votes for their favourite dish/meal.

### Target Language

The Iron Chef ESL activity is a great way to practise [food](#) vocabulary and cooking verbs. You could also direct students to use [sequence adverbs](#) in their recipes. Plus, because it involves giving instructions, another possible target language is [imperatives](#).

This activity is suitable for beginner and low intermediate level. For an activity to practise similar topics with higher level students, try [Celebrity Chefs](#).