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| **Writing a Review/ Unit 2/ FOOD, FOOD, FOOD!** |
| **Name:** |
| **Grade: 7 ( A )** |

**Review:**

When writing a review,

* think of a suitable title for your review.
* try to catch the reader’s attention in the first paragraph.
* remember to give your negative or positive opinion.

**Useful expressions:**

I highly recommend…

I wouldn’t/don’t recommend…

It’s the perfect place/café/restaurant for…

It’s the worst…

**Adjectives for food:**

bitter, undercooked, overcooked, colorful, delicious, healthy, unhealthy, bland, processed, tasty, tasteless, organic…

**Adjectives for restaurants:**

Scruffy, dirty, trendy, bright, old-fashioned, expensive, slow, unfriendly, rude…

**Tips:**

* It is a good idea to use lots of different vocabulary in your writing to make it more interesting.
* Try to use lots of different adjectives and not the same ones all the time.

**Plan**

**Paragraph 1**

Introduce what you are reviewing.

Try… / Why not try…? / If you like… / … is worth a try…

**Paragraph 2**

Describe what you are reviewing. Give the reader an idea of what you are writing about.

…set in… / … combines … with / … is ideal for … / For example, … / For instance, …

**Paragraph 3**

Give further details about what you are reviewing.

By the way… / That doesn’t mean that, … / On the other hand, …. /One example of this, … / In this case, …

**Paragraph 4: Recommendation**

End the review and give your opinion

I highly recommend… / I wouldn’t recommend… / …should not be missed

**Example Review #1**

**Name of restaurant:**XX

**Date of visit:**XX

**Star rating:**3 stars (out of 5)

I experienced a delicious main course and caring staff—but pity about the French fries.

I visited for lunch with a friend. We were delighted by the authentic South Indian main course. The spices and flavors were extremely impressive for a vegetarian restaurant.

The service was above average, but the French fries were too unpalatable to finish.

When we arrived at 2:00 p.m., we were told to wait for 10 minutes while they prepared the table. We hadn't made a reservation, but the restaurant was only half full. There was no good reason to make us wait.

We ordered French fries as a side dish. They looked tasty, but we discovered they were undercooked and too oily. We left most of them untouched. For $15, the quality should have been much higher.

When the waiter visited our table and asked if something was wrong, we explained that we didn’t like the French fries. He was apologetic and said, “We’re sorry for your experience with the French fries; we hope you liked the main course." We said yes we had. He was sympathetic and offered us a discount on the price of the French fries.

We left a tip on the table and exited the restaurant with a smile.

Overall, I enjoyed our experience. They did take the time to make the table ready, the main course was good, the staff was caring, but the French fries were awful.

I’d love to visit again. I'd recommend it as a nice place to go with friends, family, or a partner. Do try their famous masala dosa.

**Example Review #2**

**Name of restaurant:**XX

**Date of review:**XX

**Star rating:**4 stars (out of 5)

This restaurant is situated in the heart of a semi-urban area near a motorsports academy. It is a favorite hangout for motorsports lovers.

The decor is a stunning mix of vintage sports cars, luxury, and modernity. Every table provides a clear view of the chef working in the kitchen. Diners without reservation are invited to wait in a beautifully decorated lounge with comfortable armchairs and thematic artwork.

The menu offers a wide variety of delicious and mouthwatering starters and main courses that will appeal to youngsters and adults alike. I had smoked salmon with horseradish cream, as well as prawns and lime vinaigrette. My friend tried the triple cheese and tarragon-stuffed mushrooms. They were all exquisite. The main course included a fantastic veggie shepherd’s pie with sweet potato mash and creamy courgette lasagne. It was all followed by a savory apple pie with a scoop of chocolate ice cream.

Everything we ate was fresh and delicious. The award-winning chefs use the best quality ingredients to produce dishes that are simply delightful. The restaurant also offers a wonderful drink menu, and they offer one of the best wines in the region. The drinks are pricey but surely worth sampling.

In contrast, however, the service was not of the highest quality. It seemed to me that the waiters were not very engaged or interested in their jobs. But the owner seemed very warm and thoughtful. He came around to check on our experience and seemed to be authentically engaged.

Notwithstanding the disinterested waters, I highly recommend this restaurant. The food is delicious and the atmosphere is brilliant.