

Rosa's Spanish Picnic

Learning objective: To read and understand a short text in Spanish about food and express personal preferences.

Read the story about Rosa the parrot and her picnic. Use the word bank to help you understand the Spanish terms, then answer the questions below.

Rosa the parrot was very excited for her picnic in the park. She packed her colourful basket with lots of healthy snacks to share with her friends. First, she placed two crunchy red apples, 'la manzana', into the basket. Next, she added a block of yellow cheese, 'el queso', because it is her favourite snack. For a drink, she chose a carton of orange juice, 'el zumo'.

When she arrived at the park, she met Pip the caterpillar. Rosa chirped, 'Me gusta el queso!' which means she likes cheese. Pip smiled and tried a piece. 'Delicioso!' he said. They sat on a blanket under the trees. Rosa noticed that Pip did not eat the apple. She asked him if he wanted some, but Pip shook his head. 'No me gusta la manzana,' he whispered. Rosa understood that everyone has different tastes. They spent the rest of the afternoon enjoying their lunch and practising new words. Rosa loved teaching her friends how to order a picnic in Spanish, making sure everyone had something tasty to eat while they enjoyed the sunshine.

Word bank: la manzana - the apple · el queso - the cheese · me gusta - I like · no me gusta - I do not like · el zumo - the juice · delicioso - delicious

1. What two items of food did Rosa put in her basket? (2 marks)

2. What drink did Rosa bring to the picnic? (1 mark)

3. Why did Pip not eat the apple? (2 marks)

4. How do we know that Rosa and Pip enjoyed the cheese? (2 marks)

5. Do you think it is important to try new foods? Explain your answer. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw Rosa the parrot and Pip the caterpillar having a picnic. Label the food in Spanish using the words from the word bank.



Extension challenge: Write a short sentence in Spanish about your favourite snack, using the phrase 'Me gusta...' (I like...) followed by the food item.