## Picky Eater Test

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Below is a comprehensive Picky Eater Test in a table format. The test consists of 20 statements related to food preferences, habits, and aversions. The test-taker should rate each statement on a scale of 1 to 5 , where one means "Strongly Disagree" and five means "Strongly Agree."

After completing the test, the individual can tally their total score to determine their level of pickiness.

| No. | Statement | 1 (Strongly Disagree) | 2 (Disagree) | 3 (Neutral) | 4 (Agree) | 5 (Strongly Agree) |
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| 1 | I often refuse to try new foods. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 2 | I have a limited number of foods I like. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 3 | I prefer to eat the same meals repeatedly. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| 4 | I dislike most vegetables. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 5 | I avoid foods with unfamiliar textures. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 6 | I am sensitive to the smell of certain foods. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 7 | I dislike trying foods from other cultures. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\checkmark$ | $\square$ |  |
| 8 | I often separate the food on my plate. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| 9 | I dislike mixed dishes (e.g., casseroles). | $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $\square$ | - |
| 10 | I have specific food preparation preferences. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 11 | I avoid foods with specific colors. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 12 | I dislike foods with intense flavors. |  | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| 13 | I prefer my food plain and unseasoned. | $\square$ |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| 14 | I have difficulty eating with others due to my food preferences. | $\checkmark$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 15 | I get anxious when trying new foods. | $\checkmark$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| 16 | I avoid foods based on their nutritional content. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 17 | I often take a long time to finish a meal because of my food preferences. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 18 | I have specific rituals when it comes to eating (e.g., eating foods in a certain order). | $\checkmark$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |


| No. | Statement | 1 (Strongly <br> Disagree) | $\mathbf{2}$ (Disagree) | $\mathbf{3}$ (Neutral) | 4 (Agree) | 5 (Strongly <br> Agree) |
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| $\mathbf{1 9}$ | I find it challenging to eat at restaurants due <br> to my food preferences. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| $\mathbf{2 0}$ | My food preferences impact my social life. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

Total Score:
39

## Score Interpretation:

After completing the test and tallying the total score, use the following scale to interpret the results:

- 20-40: Not picky. You have a diverse palate and are open to trying new foods.
- 41-60: Mildly picky. You have some food preferences, but they don't severely limit your diet.
- 61-80: Moderately picky. Your food preferences limit your diet, and it may be worth considering strategies to expand your food choices.
- 81-100: Highly picky. Your food preferences significantly limit your diet, and it's essential to consider expanding your food choices to ensure a well-rounded, nutritious diet.

Please keep in mind that this test is not diagnostic and should not replace the advice of a healthcare professional. If you have concerns about your eating habits, it's always best to consult a registered dietitian or healthcare provider for personalized guidance.

