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RATATOUILLE

(rat·a·too·ee)



Level 5

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In This Book



Remy

A young rat who loves to cook



Emile

Remy's brother who lives in the sewer with the other rats



Linguini

A young man who works in the kitchen of a famous restaurant



Chef Skinner

The top chef at Gusteau's restaurant



Colette

A young chef who works at Gusteau's and helps Linguini



Anton Ego

A restaurant critic who frightens many of the chefs in Paris

Before You Read

Introduction

Remy is not like all the other rats—he loves to cook! He goes to Paris and finds the restaurant of a famous chef. There, he meets a young man called Linguini, who works in the kitchen. Remy helps him to make delicious food. But what will Chef Skinner say about a rat in his kitchen? What will Anton Ego, the most frightening restaurant critic in Paris, think about Linguini and Remy's food? There are always going to be problems in a world where people hate rats.

Activities

1 Match the words and the pictures. You can use a dictionary.

waiter

customer

critic

cookbook

pot

chef



2 This book is called *Ratatouille*. What do you think “ratatouille” is?



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A Different Kind of Rat

Remy was different than the other rats. They were happy to eat old food, garbage ... *anything*. But Remy loved food. He loved to taste new things and he could smell everything! Remy had a brother, Emile. They were very different, but they were best friends. Emile thought Remy had talent.

Remy's father, Django, didn't understand Remy and said, "Eat your garbage."

Remy didn't listen. Sometimes, he went into the kitchen at night and read the cookbooks.



Remy's favorite cookbook was by Chef Gusteau. One night in the kitchen, Remy saw the famous chef on TV. But it was bad news: Gusteau was dead. Remy couldn't believe it.

Suddenly, the woman of the house woke up and saw him. "Ahhh!" she cried. Humans hated rats—it was time to leave!

The rats ran down to the river and jumped into their boats. Remy ran, too, but it wasn't easy to run with the cookbook.

"Come on!" Django called to Remy.

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The cookbook was Remy's boat. He tried to follow the others along the river and the sewer. But he lost them in the fast waters of the sewer.

The water carried him along for hours. At last, his boat stopped. With no family or friends, Remy sat and read the book. He felt hungry and sad. There was a picture of Gusteau in the book. Suddenly, Gusteau spoke to him! "If you are hungry, go up and look around, Remy," he said.

