

Unit 6

When was it invented?



Warming up

**List some kinds of
food and describe
their tastes.**





lemon

sour, sweet



ice cream

sweet, cold



tea

pleasant smell



potato chips

crispy, salty

1a Fill in the blanks with words in the box.

sweet

sour



crispy

crispy salty



salty

sweet



sour

sweet



1b Write the name of a different food after each word.

sweet banana apple candy

crispy biscuit potato chips

salty potato chips

sour vinegar lemon



2a

Listen and **circle** “T” or “F”.



1. The potato chips were invented by mistake. T F

2. They were invented in 1863. T F

3. The customer thought the potatoes weren't thin T F
enough.

4. The customer said they weren't salty enough. T F

5. George wanted to make the customer happy. T F

6. The customer was happy in the end. T F



2b Listen again and complete the sentences.

The history of chips



Did you know ⁽¹⁾ that potato chips were invented by mistakes? Chips were invented ⁽²⁾ by a chef called George Crum. They were invented in 1853 ⁽³⁾. George Crum cooked them for a long time until they were crispy ⁽⁴⁾. And he sprinkled lots of salt on them so they were really salty ⁽⁵⁾.

Tapescripts

Boy 1 : Hey, did you know that potato chips were invented by mistake?

Boy 2 : Really? What do you mean?

Boy 1: Well, here on the bag it says that they were invented by a chef called George Crum.

Boy 2 : When was that?

Boy 1: Oh, it was way back in 1853.

Boy 2: So, why was it an accident?



Boy 1: Well, one day a customer in the restaurant where George worked sent back his plate of fried potatoes because he said they were cut too thick.

Boy 2: So what happened?

Boy 1 : Well, George was in a bad mood, so he cut the potatoes really, really thin, and he cooked them for a long time until they were crispy. And he sprinkled lots of salt on them so they were really salty. He thought the customer would hate them.



Boy 2 : And?

Boy 1: And the customer loved them and asked for more. He told the other customers about them, and soon everyone was ordering thinly sliced, crispy, salty potato chips.

Boy 2 : And we're still eating them today. What a cool story!

Boy 1: Yeah.



2c PAIRWORK

Role play the conversation about the invention of the potato chip.

Model

A: Did you know potato chips were invented by mistake?

B: Wow, I didn't know that. Who invented them?

A: ...



Explanation

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mistake 作名词“错误，误会”。也可以作动词“弄错，犯错”。常见形式：

(1) **by mistake** 错误地

e.g. He put salt in her cup of tea by mistake.
他错把盐放进她的茶里。

(2) **make a mistake** 出错

e.g. You have made a foolish mistake.
你犯了一个愚蠢的错误。

(3) **mistake...for...** 错把.....当作.....

e.g.

They mistook him for his brother.

他们错把他认作他的兄弟。

mistake 作动词, 意为“弄错, 误解

”
e.g.

You'd better say sorry to her, because you've

mistook what she said.

你该向他道歉, 因为你误解了她的话。

Reading



3a Reading

Who invented tea?



Did you know that tea, the most popular drink in the world (after water),

by accident 偶然，碰巧。

was invented by accident? Although tea wasn't brought to the Western world until 1610, this beverage was discovered over three thousand years before that.

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