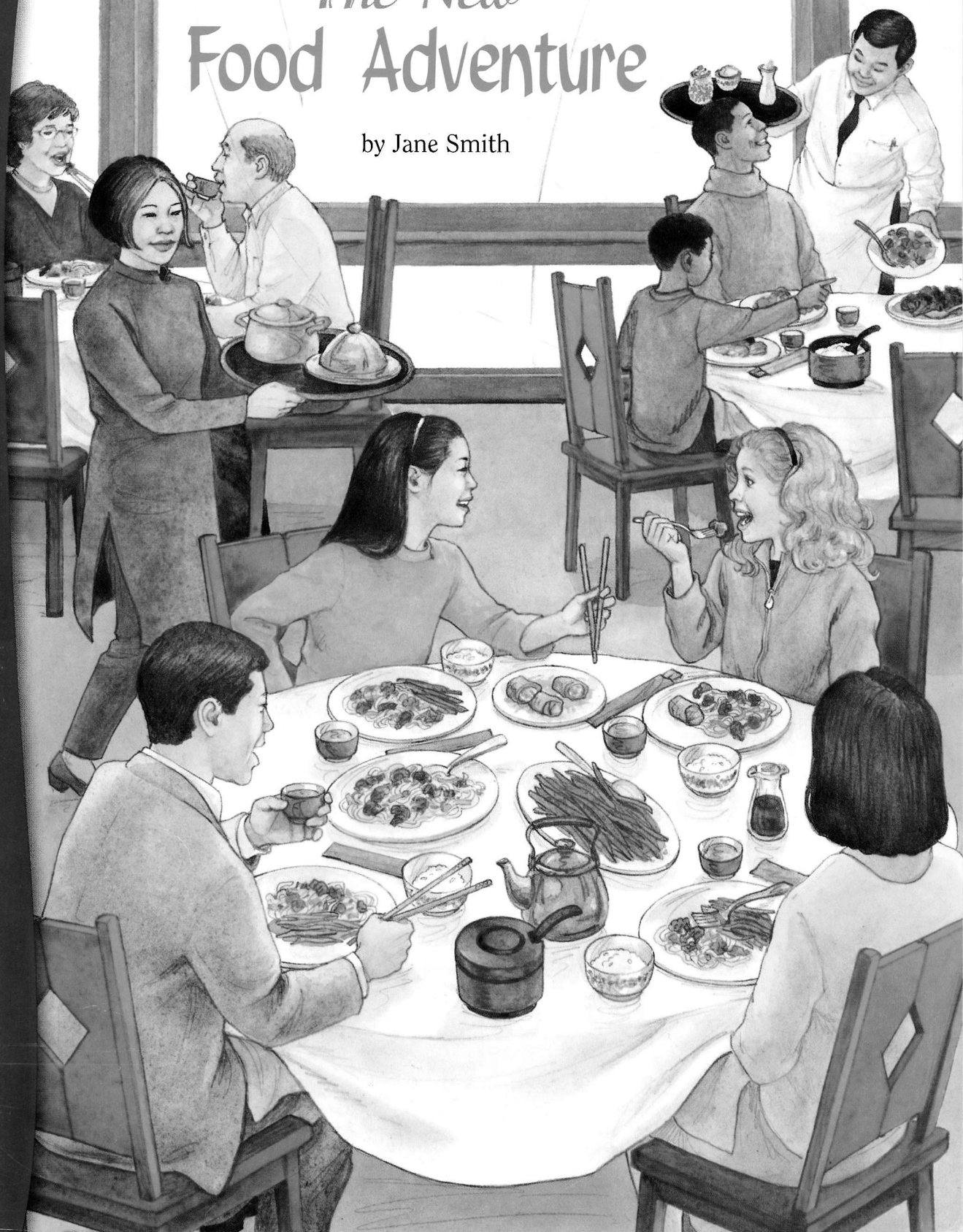


The New Food Adventure

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Sasha had been invited to eat dinner with Kim and her family. "We're going to my favorite Chinese restaurant," Kim told her. "You'll love the food!"

Sasha liked doing things with Kim. But this time she was not so sure. She had never had Chinese food. What would she order? What if she didn't like it?

"Trying new things can be scary," Sasha's mother said. "But you might be surprised. Think of it as an adventure."

Sasha smiled when she opened the menu. First, she saw the word rice. "I like rice," she said.

Then, she spied a chicken dish. "I think I'll have that too."

"Why not try something new?" asked Kim's mother. "I think you'll really like the egg rolls."

Sasha thought for a moment. She decided to take the chance.

The food was delicious. Sasha liked the rice and chicken. But she liked the egg rolls best. Mother was right, she thought. Trying new things is an adventure!

COMPREHENSION

A Choose the best ending for each sentence. Write *a* or *b*.

- 1 This story is mostly about a girl who
 - a** liked to try new things.
 - b** tried a new food.
- 2 Sasha was not sure she wanted to go to the restaurant because she
 - a** did not know how to speak Chinese.
 - b** was afraid she would not like the food.
- 3 Trying new things can sometimes be scary because you do not
 - a** know what to expect.
 - b** like some foods.
- 4 Sasha smiled when she opened the menu because she
 - a** recognized some of the foods.
 - b** was a friendly girl.
- 5 The next time Sasha goes to a restaurant she will probably
 - a** try something new.
 - b** go with Kim.

LEARN ABOUT WORDS

B *Tablecloth* is a word that is made from two words, *table* and *cloth*. *Tablecloth* is called a compound word. Put each set of two words together to make a compound word. Write the word.

- 1 after + noon = _____
- 2 back + yard = _____
- 3 sun + shine = _____
- 4 out + side = _____
- 5 side + walk = _____



LEARN ABOUT WORDS *(continued)*

C Read the words you wrote. Which one best fits in each sentence? Write the word.

- 6 Sasha and Kim like to play _____.
- 7 Kim's family has cookouts in their _____.
- 8 Sometimes the girls play hopscotch on the _____.
- 9 Kim and Sasha have a snack every _____.
- 10 The girls would rather have a picnic in the _____ than in the rain.

THINK ABOUT IT

D Read each set of words. Write the word that comes first in alphabetical order.

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| 1 | what | why | when |
| 2 | saw | said | Sasha |
| 3 | things | the | three |
| 4 | most | mother | moment |
| 5 | for | food | found |