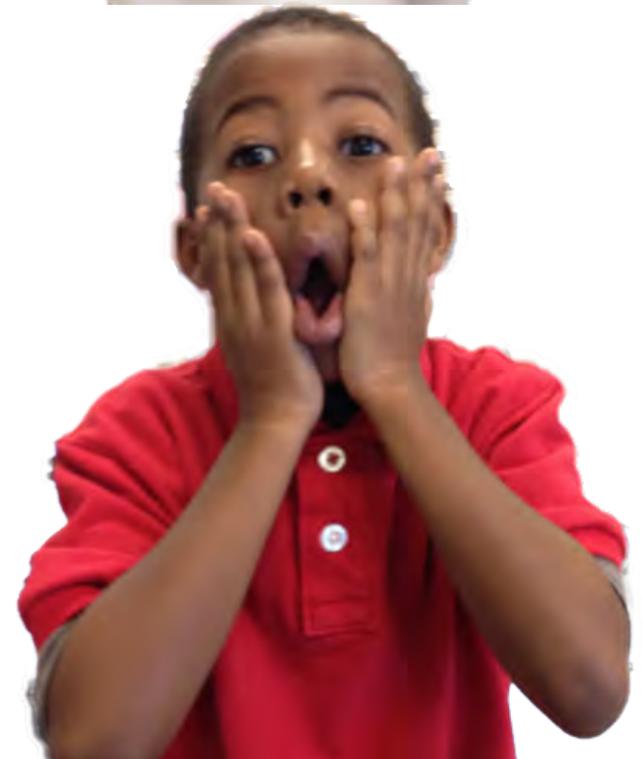


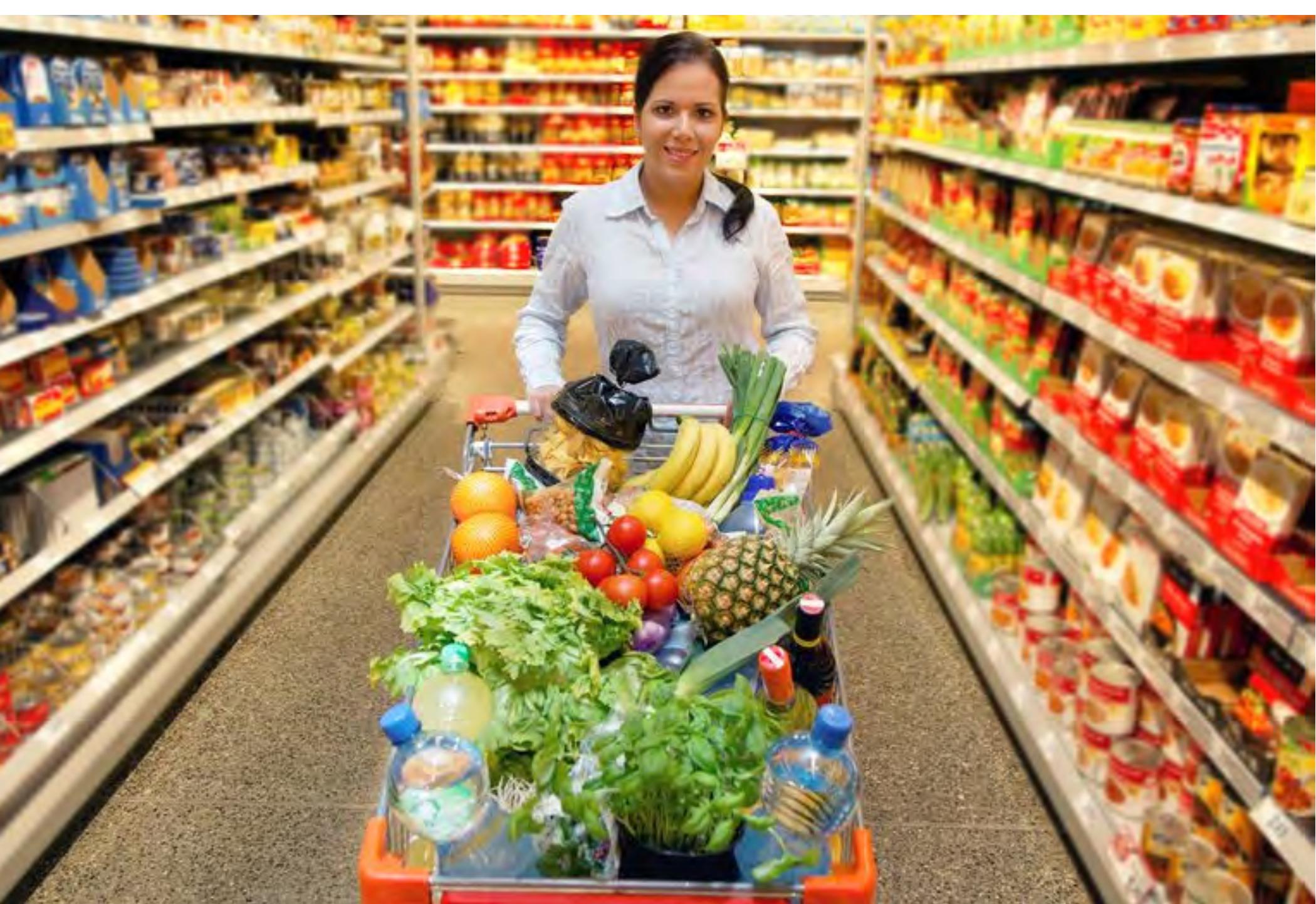
Let's Pretend...Grocery Store

Are you ready
to pretend?
Let's go!

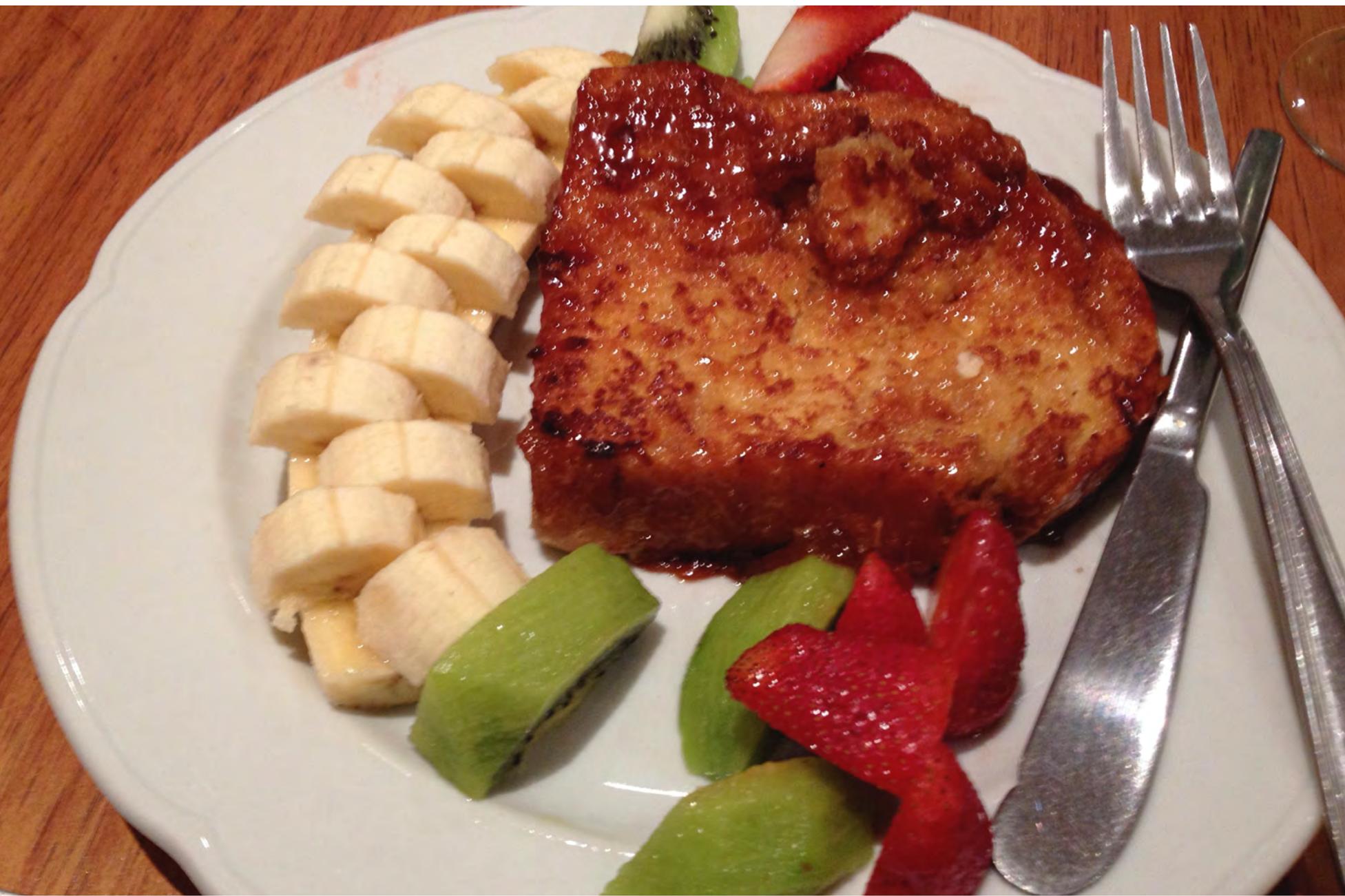


Close your eyes.
Now open
them...





We're in a grocery store!



Everyone needs food.



Some people get their food from local farms.



Some people grow food in their gardens.

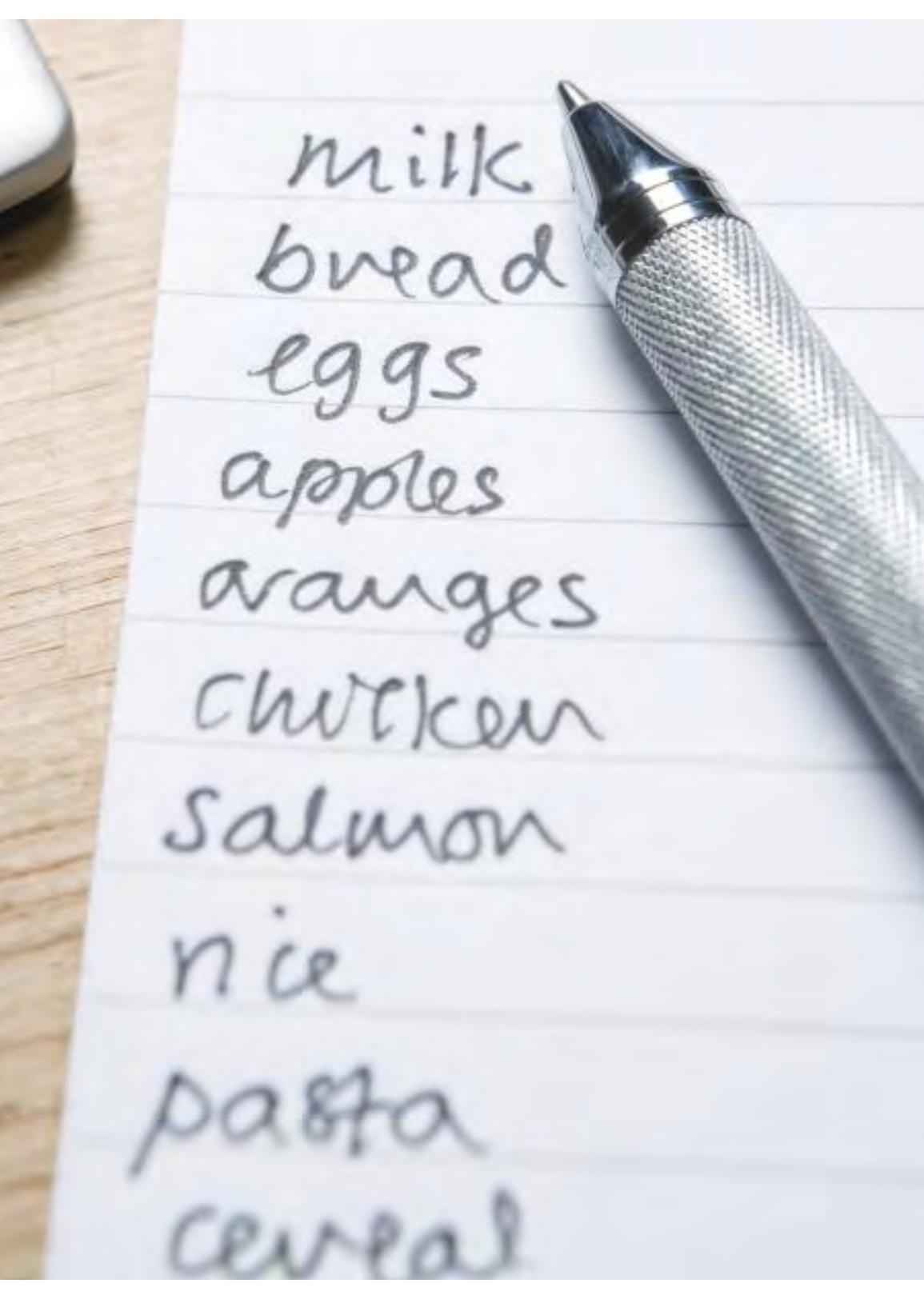
welcome



But most people buy their food at a grocery store. Sometimes it's also called a supermarket. **Where does your family get your food?**



Newspaper ads show you what is on special each week. You can look through them for bargains so you can save money. I look through the ads to make my shopping list. Peaches are on sale this week so I think I'll add them to the list. So is yogurt! Do you want to pretend to write them down on your list too?

A photograph of a handwritten grocery list on a piece of lined paper. The list is written in cursive and includes: milk, bread, eggs, apples, oranges, chicken, salmon, rice, pasta, and cereal. A silver, textured ballpoint pen is resting diagonally across the middle of the list. The paper is placed on a light-colored wooden surface.

milk
bread
eggs
apples
oranges
chicken
salmon
rice
pasta
cereal

It helps to make a list of what you need. Writing it down helps you remember. I'm writing down milk, bread, eggs, apples and some other things my family needs.

Turn and tell a friend what you could add to your list and pretend to write it down.



Then it's time to go the grocery store! If you only need a few items at the grocery store, you can use a small basket and carry it on your arm. Will a basket be enough to fit the groceries on your list?



Oh, oh. This basket is full, and it is heavy! Pretend you are carrying a heavy basket. Does your hand hurt? Ugh! We should have gotten a shopping cart! Let's go get one.



Now this is much better, and my little girl can ride in the cart to be safe. “Oh no! I forgot my list.” I tell her. Will you help me remember to buy your favorite cereal?”



You see lots of people working at the grocery store. This man is a clerk in the Deli.



The produce manager is very friendly. He has lots of fresh fruits and vegetables.



He says, “We’re having a special on grapes. They are really delicious! Do you want to take some home with you today?”

The grocery store even has a bakery with big ovens. The baker wears a chef's hat and big oven mitts on his hands because the ovens are hot. I ask him, "Do you have any chocolate croissants?" He says, "Coming right up! Nice and hot! How many do you want?"





It's such a busy place. Sometimes we see friends and neighbors who are also shopping. I say, "Hello - oh, your baby has grown so much!"



After you have everything on your list, it's time to check out.



We have to wait in line at the registers. The cashier says, “ Do you have any coupons? Did you find everything you needed?”



The cashier asks a lot of questions! “How do you want to pay today? Will that be cash or credit?” I say, “I will pay with a credit card today.” “Paper or plastic bags?” he asks next. “Would you please bag the groceries in paper bags? Thank you.” He even gives a sticker to my little girl—it makes her so happy!



There is a lot to see and do at the grocery store. It is fun to pretend and play grocery store too!

Now it's your
turn to
pretend!

