

Y4 We Are Chefs: World Cuisine - Curry—Knowledge Organiser



Key Knowledge

Key Skills

New for Year 4: To attain Grade Two Certificate.

Bridge hold: To chop using the 'bridge hold' - Using

one hand, make a bridge over the vegetable or fruit

with fingers on one side and thumb on the other, cut

Key Vocabulary Understand these key words

Which three ingredients make form the basis of most curries?

Onion, garlic and ginger.

The longer you cook these ingredients the richer and darker the curry will be.

When do you add the spices?

Early to cook and soften.

What can be used as a thickening agent to make the sauce?

A variety of the following, some of which are combined: Yogurt, coconut milk, stock, water, pureed or diced tomatoes, chili paste, or spinach.

spices













Fork hold



• Ratio of rice to water is 1:2

down under the 'bridge'.

- Pour one cup of rice into a saucepan and then add two cups of cold water.
- Add a pinch of salt and stir. (Brings to a boil faster).
- Leave to boil and then reduce to simmer with lid on.
- Watch carefully but do not stir.
- After around 10-15 minutes (or until all water has evaporated and little pockets have appeared in top of rice) remove the lid and leave to cool for 5 minutes.
- Top tip: When rice is cooling, lay a tea towel over the top to catch the steam and keep the rice warm.

Recap of skills from Year 3:

To **Chop** safely— using the claw - tucking in thumb or fork hold techniques.





How to grate safely using a grater—grate away from self, grater positioned downwards against chopping board.

How to peel safely using a peeler—peel away from self, peel middle of vegetable, rotate vegetable.



How to measure accurately using both: Measuring jug (ml) - fill liquid until it reaches required amount looking at the line carefully, pour some away if there is too much. And electronic scale (g) Press On/Off/Zero to set the weight to 0g.

Herbs and spices in Chana Masala recipe:

- Ground coriander
- Ground cumin
- Chilli powder
- Turmeric
- Garam masala
- Fresh coriander





How to frv safely:

- Place a frying pan on the hob, turn it on to a medium heat.
- Pour the given amount of oil into the centre of the pan and wait less than a minute for it to heat—you may hear it start to sizzle.
- Holding the handle of the pan, allow the oil to spread evenly across the pan by lifting the pan and tilting it from one side to another.
- Place the raw ingredients into the pan. If the oil is hot it may spit at you—this can cause burns. Avoid this by using a tool to place ingredients in so your hand is at a distance, e.g. tongs or wooden spoon.
- If the food is cooking too quickly, reduce the temperature. You can also move the pan off the hob—slide to side carefully.
- Stir food until it is cooked thoroughly. If the food begins to stick, you may need to add more oil.

Word	Definition
Curry	A dish cooked in an Indian-style sauce of hot-tasting spices and typically served with rice.
Kari	Where the word 'curry' is derived from. It is Indian for 'spicy sauce'.
Spices	A spice is a seed, fruit, root, bark, or other plant substance primarily used for flavouring or colouring food.
Ground	Ground spices are whole spices ground up to a powder. This can be either a mix of spices ground together to form a
spices	complex spice powder (like Garam Masala), or ground up singly (like Turmeric, Coriander, Cumin, Cloves, Cinnamon, Nutmeg etc.)
Capsaicin	The chemical in chillies that fools your mouth into thinking there is a fire in it! Water will not dilute. Use something with fat in it, such as milk.
Fry	Cook in hot fat or oil, typically in a shallow pan.
Chop/slice	Cut something into pieces with repeated sharp blows of a knife.
Peel	To remove the peels from vegetables or fruits.
Grate	The process of transforming firm food items into small pieces by rubbing the item against a grater.
Drain	Cause the water or other liquid in (something) to run out, leaving it empty or dry.
Boil	Cook or be cooked by immersing in boiling water or stock.
Simmer	Just below boiling point while bubbling gently.
Stir	Move or cause to move from side to side or back and forth.
Spit (oil)	Emit small bursts of sparks or hot fat with a series of short, explosive noises.
Season	To add flavouring to a food to enhance its taste.