Bread!

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Oliver would not eat bread, except for one place.

When his family ate pizza, he did not want to eat the crust.

When his family had spaghetti with breadsticks, he did not want to eat them.

When his mom made him a sandwich, he turned up his nose.

What could they do about Oliver?

Then, one day they were at a restaurant.

The restaurant served free peanuts, and Oliver loved peanuts.

They also served free sourdough rolls with cinnamon butter.

Everyone was gobbling them down as fast as the server could bring them.

Even Oliver took one.

All of Oliver's family froze and watched him.

His parents stopped mid-chew to watch him.

His siblings, an older sister and a younger brother, eyed him suspiciously.

Oliver bit into the bread, chewed, and swallowed.

Everyone was still frozen.

Oliver dipped his bread into the cinnamon butter and ate it.

While everyone watched, he finished the first roll and went for another.

At that point, Oliver's family quietly resumed eating.

"This is good bread!" Oliver announced, grabbing his third roll.

From that day on, Oliver ate more bread.

The only catch was, it had to be homemade, hot, and come with butter!

It was a good thing that mom was a good cook.

Oliver's family didn't mind the hot, fresh bread either...

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 - B. veggies
 - C. fruit
 - D. bread
- 2. TRUE OR FALSE: Oliver starts eating bread at first because his mother cooked it.
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 3. Which of these is NOT one of Oliver's mother's attempts to get him to eat bread?
 - A. pizza crust
 - B. sandwiches
 - C. hamburgers
 - D. spaghetti with breadsticks
- 4. Where is the family when Oliver finally eats some bread?
 - A. a restaurant
 - B. at grandma's house
 - C. in the kitchen
 - D. at a picnic
- 5. What 3 things does Oliver require if he is going to eat bread?
 - A. hot, butter, and fresh
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 - C. homemade, fresh, and new
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