

WEEKLY ENGLISH PRACTICE

The best hamburgers in Vitoria-Gasteiz

As a big fan of hamburgers, I decided to find out about the best burgers in my city. According to a [blog](#), and in no particular order, the following are listed as some of the best hamburger restaurants in Vitoria-Gasteiz.

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- Ta-Than

The Ta-Than makes fantastic homemade burgers. The location of this restaurant makes it very easy to get to. It's also highly recommended for its enthusiastic staff, unbeatable service delightful atmosphere.

- Chill Out

The Chill Out is a small but very cozy **joint** with beautiful **decor**. The customer service is **outstanding** and the waiters are fast and attentive. The food in general is excellent and the burgers are original, varied and very juicy, using top quality meat that tastes exquisite.

- Goiko

One of the most fashionable places to eat hamburgers in Vitoria is the Goiko, which **stands out** for several reasons; not only is the meat fresh, but the bread and sauce are **made from scratch**, and the chips are cut from real potatoes. They also have one of the

best vegetarian burgers among their many stylish and delicious options.

- Frankfurt 1

The Frankfurt 1 offers an **ample** variety of original hamburgers. The price is great, as their burgers are always under €5.

- Koxka

At the Koxka, all the food is homemade and very healthy. Their hamburgers are served with delicious **gourmet** fries. This restaurant combines extraordinary service with dishes that are packed with taste and style at very **affordable** prices.

- La Pepita

At La Pepita, there's something for everyone, with their wide range of homemade dishes of the highest quality. The intention of La Pepita is to completely transform the traditional burger. To do this, they grill top quality meats and mix them in surprising ways, always working with the freshest ingredients.

- Marvelous

The Marvelous is a very cozy place, with pleasant **waiting staff** who always make you **feel at home**. They have a very varied menu with gluten-free alternatives for celiacs, each burger providing a **burst** of international flavours.

All that's left is for me to try them all to see if it's true!



Adapted from [this article](#)

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Word list

joint: place, venue

decor: decoration

outstanding: very good

to stand out: to be especially noteworthy

to make sth from scratch: to make sth yourself, beginning with the most fundamental ingredients

ample: large, big, extensive, plentiful

gourmet: very good quality (in cooking)

affordable: not too expensive

waiting staff: the people whose job is to attend your table at a restaurant

to feel at home: to feel relaxed and comfortable

burst: an explosion

Let's chat about that!

1. Do you like hamburgers as much as Alison does?
2. Have you eaten at any of the restaurants listed above? If so, what was your experience?
3. Which of these hamburger restaurants sounds the most appealing to you and why?
4. Do you think hamburgers can be healthy? Why (not)?
5. What factors determine whether a hamburger restaurant is good or not?
6. If you opened a hamburger restaurant, what would you call it and why?

Vocabulary: gender-neutral language

In English, many words are historically associated with one gender. For example, 'waiter' is generally used to refer to a man and 'waitress' to a woman.

In the text on page 1, I wanted to avoid these implications entirely, so I opted for 'waiting staff'.

Gender-neutral language can be a convenient way to avoid excluding anyone or reinforcing stereotypes, and gendered language may already be becoming obsolete.

Here are some handy examples of gender-neutral language you can use:

ladies and gentlemen	→	folks
postman / postwoman	→	postperson, postal delivery worker
policeman / policewoman	→	police officer
man-made	→	synthetic, machine-made
sister/brother	→	sibling

Can you think of a gender-neutral way to say the following?

mankind	→	<i>humans, humankind</i>
salesman / saleswoman	→	
boy/girl	→	
fireman/firewoman	→	
girlfriend/boyfriend	→	