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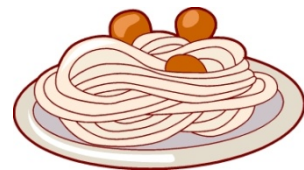
## Yeah Pasta!

**Read just the first two sentences and stop to visualize a picture in your mind for what you read.**

**Then, continue reading the passage and create pictures in your mind as you read.**

*A* delicious bowl of steamy pasta is just 30 minutes away. Gather your ingredients: one onion, one green pepper, one cup of whole mushrooms, four cans of diced tomatoes, one large can of tomato sauce, one pound of ground beef and three cups of noodles. While you dice your onion, pepper, and mushrooms, let your meat cook in a skillet and boil your noodles in a pot of water. Combine the cut vegetables and cook them in a skillet with oil over high heat for about five minutes. Check and stir your meat often to ensure that it all browns evenly. Use a separate wooden spoon to stir your vegetables to ensure that they don't stick to the skillet or burn. Once your meat is all browned, drain away the grease with a strainer. Combine the meat with the sautéed vegetables and season well with salt and pepper. Once the noodle are soft, drain away the extra water and add the meat and vegetables with the noodles in the pot. Stir in the canned tomatoes and sauce. Finish by adding more salt and pepper to suit your taste. Enjoy a bowl of hot pasta with a side of buttered bread.

**Use your pictures to think about the author's purpose and to answer the following questions.**



What is the Author's Purpose?

- To entertain       To persuade       To inform

How did your pictures help you see the author's purpose?

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