

# Close-Reading Questions

## "How Pizza Conquered America"

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## "Sushi Takes Over"

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1. What role did technology play in sushi's growing popularity in America in the 1960s?  
(key ideas and details)

2. On page 31, Kristin Lewis writes, "Kanai thought the time was right to put Japanese food on the American dinner plate." What similar idea does Starecheski express about Frank Mastro in "How Pizza Conquered America"? (key ideas and details)

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# Critical-Thinking Questions

## "How Pizza Conquered America" and "Sushi Takes Over"

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1. On page 31, Lewis writes that sushi came to be seen as a "status symbol" after movie stars started eating it. Why would celebrities eating sushi lead to sushi becoming a status symbol?
2. According to the timeline and "Sushi Takes Over," different places have put their own spins on sushi and pizza. What are some possible drawbacks to altering a traditional food? What are some benefits?
3. What factors can help a dish become popular in a new place?