

Let's Get Dinner.

Everyone has tried to figure out where to go for dinner. For this game, imagine you are a group of six, including folks of all ages including a couple of kids and a vegetarian.

Dinner is an important meal. It allows people to get together and talk about their school or work days, connect with friends and family socially, and try new experiences. Choosing where to eat can be fraught with tension – people have dietary restrictions based on ethical standards, allergies, food preferences and budgets to consider. *What choice should we make for eating out?*

Option 1: American steakhouse	
Action A Choose from a wide selection of familiar, tasty favorites!	Drawback A Few exotic offerings.
Action B Try one of their famous steaks!	Drawback B Our vegetarian friend is going to have limited choices.
Action C Enjoy the upscale atmosphere.	Drawback C May require dressing up if day's earlier activities are more casual.

Option 2 Fancy chef-driven artisan restaurant.	
Action F Chef-driven, lots of unique dishes you can't find anywhere else!	Drawback F Might be a challenge for kids.
Action G Pick from a menu that's gotten rave reviews from food critics!	Drawback G Not comfort food, though.
Action H Enjoy the refined atmosphere.	Drawback H High risk if kids misbehave.

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Option 3 Ethnic food— Peruvian, Indian, Ethiopian, something new!	
Action K Try something you're not likely to make at home!	Drawback K You may not find something you know you'll like.
Action L Eat family-style and try lots of new things!	Drawback L Not everybody likes all the choices.
Action M Enjoy the fun and different atmosphere.	Drawback M Could just get takeout?

Option 4— or ALT OPTION? <i>Another option, rooted in another concern or value that is in tension with one or more of the other options.</i>	
Action K	Drawback K
Action L	Drawback L
Action M	Drawback M
Action N	Drawback N
Action O	Drawback O

KEEP IN MIND

The framework is just a starting point. The key thing is to remember that this is a working document for provoking a deliberative conversation. If it's not perfect, that's OK— people in the forums can and will tailor/refine the actions and tradeoffs. We're just giving them something to start with.

