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Some people are happy with a simple hamburger made of ground beef. If you're a little more adventurous, follow these directions to make world-class spicy burgers.

Start with a pound of good quality ground beef or ground chuck roast. Put the meat in a large bowl because you're going to be mixing in a lot of ingredients. Add a quarter cup of steak sauce and two tablespoons of hot sauce. If you like extra spicy burgers, add more hot sauce. Then add a few shakes of salt and pepper and a teaspoon of garlic powder. This may sound weird, but the last thing to add is a splash of white milk. Finally, make sure your hands are clean and mix everything together.

Divide the mixture to make three patties. Put the burgers on a hot grill and cook for five minutes per side. Don't smash the burgers down while they're cooking or they will be dry. Remove the burgers from the grill and serve them with your favorite toppings. Make sure you have plenty of napkins on hand while you eat these juicy, spicy burgers!

Main Idea and Details

1. Which best describes this message?
 - a. rules
 - b. a recipe
 - c. a review

2. How much meat do you need to make this recipe?
 - a. five pounds
 - b. a half pound
 - c. one pound

3. What shouldn't you do while the burgers are cooking?
 - a. smash them down
 - b. flip them over
 - c. mix them together

Vocabulary and Semantics

4. This recipe is for people who want to be adventurous. Someone who is **adventurous** probably likes to _____.
 - a. play it safe
 - b. do things that are very dangerous
 - c. try new things

5. The recipe tells you to **divide the mixture**. What is another word for **divide**?
 - a. mix
 - b. separate
 - c. combine

Understanding Everyday Information

6. Why is it important that you use a large bowl?
 - a. You need room to mix together a lot of ingredients.
 - b. You might make more later.
 - c. Hamburgers rise like bread dough.

7. Which ingredient might some people think is weird?
 - a. steak sauce
 - b. white milk
 - c. hot sauce

8. What should you do before you mix all the ingredients together?
 - a. serve with your favorite toppings
 - b. turn on the grill
 - c. make sure your hands are clean

Asking Questions

Ask a question about making hamburgers.

Writing and Discussion Prompt.....

Would you like to eat hamburgers made using this recipe? Why? If you had to add two more ingredients to this recipe, what would you add and why?