

Spicy Chicken

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Donny liked spicy foods. He thought he could eat anything.
He could eat hot peppers. He could eat hot salsa. He could eat spicy foods.
If it was hot, it was good. He liked things hot.

Sometimes it made his head sweat.
Sometimes it made his face red.
Sometimes it even gave him a belly ache.
He could eat anything spicy, though.

One day he went to a new place.
This place said it had the spiciest chicken ever!
He had to try it. He had to know.
Donny thought he was tough, but was the chicken tougher?



He tried some of the chicken. It was hot.
He ate another bite, a big bite.
His mouth burned. His face turned red.
His body began to sweat. His eyes began to water.
It was so hot!

He drank water. He drank milk. He ate an ice cube.
Nothing helped! It was too hot! What would he do?

Finally, the spicy chicken wore out. He was okay, but wait!
Now he had a belly ache! His stomach hurt so badly!
Donny didn't want anything spicy any more.
This was not fun.

Donny was not as tough as the spicy chicken.

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 - B. salsa
 - C. spicy foods
 - D. cookies

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 - B. He sweats.
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