

# McDonald's in China tests exercise bikes in restaurants

## Vocabulary Match

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| to go viral •     | footage •   | to emerge • | an initiative •                       | sustainability • |
| • part of a video | • an action | • continual | • spread quickly<br>(on the Internet) | • to appear      |

## Article

McDonald's China confirmed the company is testing in-store exercise bikes after video taken inside one of the eateries went viral online.

Footage emerged recently on social media showing a woman sitting on a stationary bike while eating a hamburger at McDonald's, and the company confirmed the bikes have been installed as seats at locations in Guangdong and Shanghai.

McDonald's China said the bike seats are part of a company initiative to promote sustainability. The company said the exercise bikes generate electricity that customers can use to charge their cell phones and other devices.

The company said the bikes also help customers stay healthier while eating fast food.

## Quiz

1. What did the video on social media show?
2. How can customers charge their cell phones?

## Conversation: *(This is based on a true story from a McDonald's drive-through in Australia)*

**Staff:** Hello there, can I take your order?

**Customer:** Yeah, cheers, I'll have a quarter-pounder with cheese meal, a large Coke, fries, and six vanilla ice-creams.

**Staff:** Certainly. Umm... I have to ask, but is that a horse in your car?

**Customer:** Haha, yeah, she's just excited for her ice cream. Her name's Rocco.

## Discussion

1. How often do you go to McDonald's? What do you like to order?
2. Do you do much exercise?
3. What do you think about the exercise bikes in McDonald's?
4. How often do you recharge your phone?
5. Are you environmentally-friendly? What kind of things do you do to help the planet?