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Word Meanings From Context

Ryan is a great inventor. However, I don't think that his latest invention, edible socks, is likely to be too successful. Not many people want to eat socks. There are some things in life that should remain inedible.

1. Which word in the passage means "fit to be eaten"?
2. Which word in the passage means "not fit to be eaten"?

Marsha is really an introvert. When I took her to Jason's party, she sat in a corner without speaking to anyone. All she did was eat most of the snacks. The only reason she hangs out with me is because I never try to force her to be sociable. She would never forgive me if I introduced her to anyone.

3. An introvert is usually _____.
 - a. friendly
 - b. hungry
 - c. unclean
 - d. shy

Sunshine said, "Amber, why are you making such a big deal about Robert's hair? Yes, he did dye it purple. It is rather unusual for a guy to have purple hair. On the other hand, it's not exactly going to change the course of world history. It's really quite a trivial matter."

4. What does "trivial" mean?
 - a. strange
 - b. unimportant
 - c. disgusting
 - d. dangerous