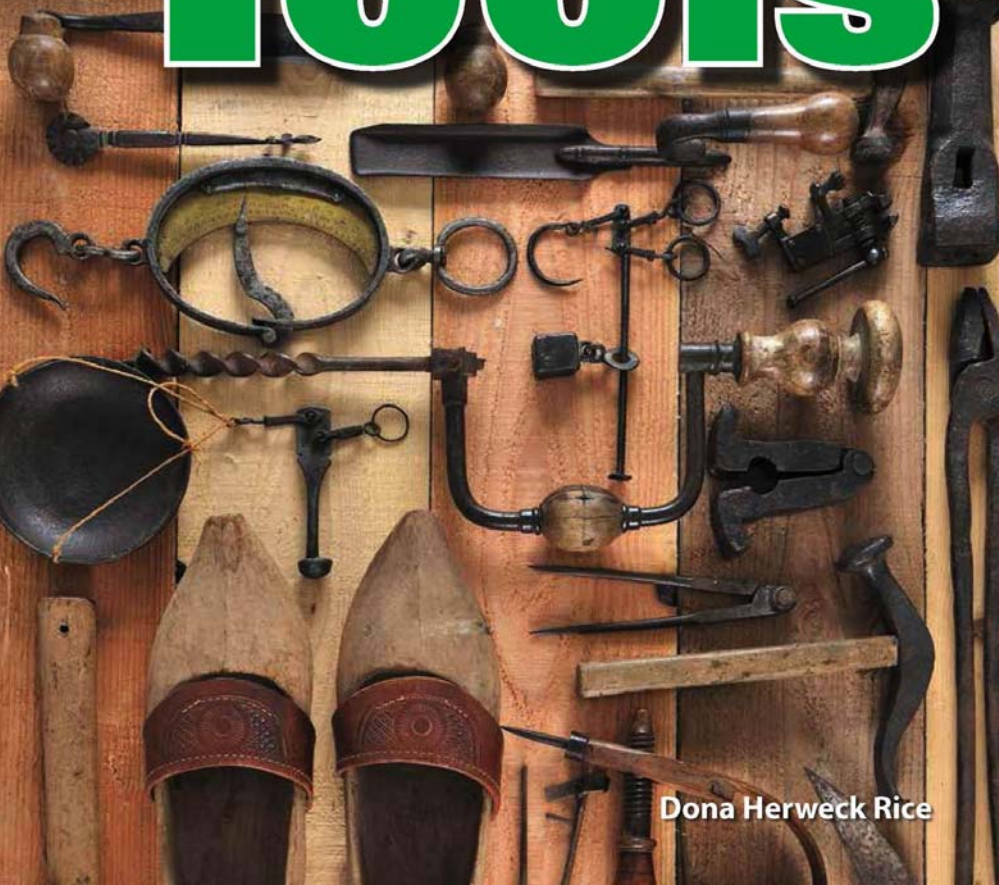


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# Dig In!

She picks up the sticks. She looks at them closely and thinks about what to do. She points the sticks down and works to grab her food. It is hard to do, but she keeps trying. Then, finally, success! She puts the food to her mouth and eats.

But the sticks are not chopsticks, and she is not human. She is a chimpanzee. She uses the sticks to scoop up termites for her dinner. The tools make her life a little easier.

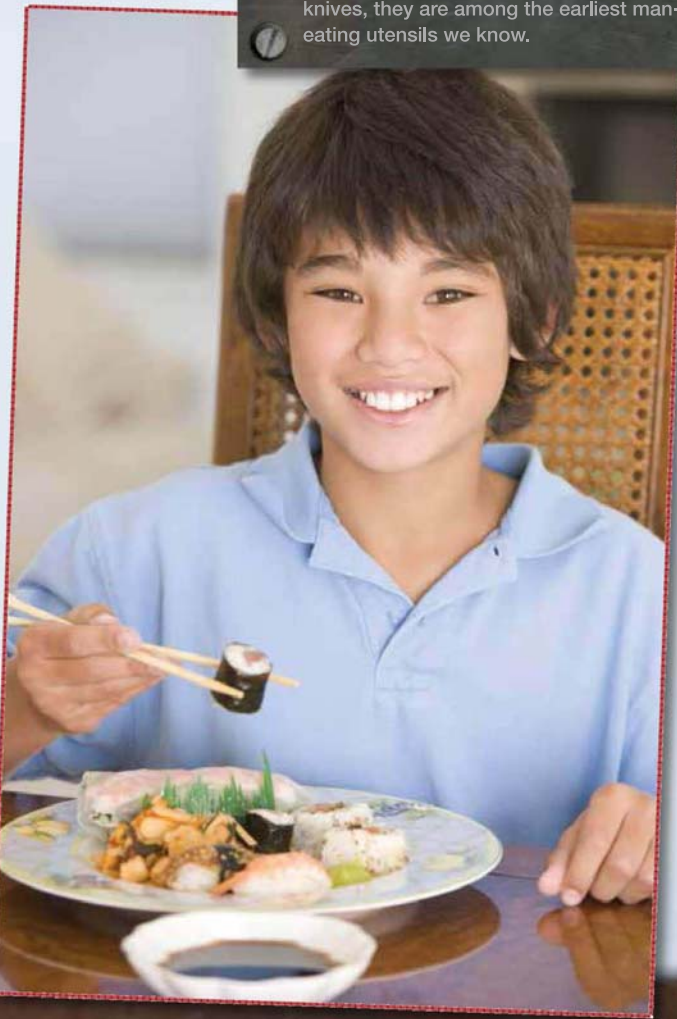
Throughout time, people have made tools to do many different things, including to eat. But it is amazing to think that other animals use tools, too!

A chimpanzee eats termites using a long stick.



## Chopsticks (筷子)

Chopsticks are used like tongs to pick up food or to push it into a person's mouth straight from a bowl. They were first used in China around 5,000 years ago. Along with knives, they are among the earliest man-made eating utensils we know.



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