

**Global View - Thai Food** (C0321)

A: What did you cook?

B: Well, as you know I was in Thailand last month, and I took a cooking class! So I prepared some of my favorite dishes.

A: Great idea! As long as I don't get food poisoning! So what is on the menu tonight?

B: Ok, for starters we have Tom Yam soup. It's a bit spicy, but really good!

A: This is delicious! The ginger and lemongrass really gives it a nice taste!

B: Now this next dish is one of the most famous. Foreigners call it papaya salad but the proper name is Tom Sam. It is a spicy salad made from a mix of fresh vegetables including shredded unripened papaya and tomato.

A: This is delicious! The combination of sour and spicy is really interesting! I could have this every-day!

B: Ok, now for the last and best dish in my opinion. This is called Pad Thai. It's stir-fried noodles with eggs, fish sauce, tamarind juice, red chili pepper plus bean sprouts, shrimp and tofu and garnished with crushed peanuts and coriander. It's practically Thailand's national dish!

A: Wow, this is great! I never knew Thai food was so creative and delicious!

B: Want some more?

A: I'm stuffed!

### Key Vocabulary

combination	<i>N</i>	the result of mixing two or more things together
stuff	<i>A</i>	filled with food; no longer hungry
creative	<i>A</i>	having the ability to think of new ideas

foreigner	<i>N</i>	a person not native to or naturalized in the country or jurisdiction under consideration
delicious	<i>A</i>	tasty
dish	<i>N</i>	food

### Supplementary Vocabulary

Stir Fry	<i>V</i>	technique for cooking food in a wok while stirring it
Bitter	<i>A</i>	Having or being a taste that is sharp, acrid, and unpleasan
Sour	<i>A</i>	Having a taste characteristic of that produced by acids; sharp, tart, or tangy
Fishcake	<i>N</i>	A food consisting of a filleted fish and potato patty sometimes coated in breadcrumbs or batter

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A distinctively sharp taste, flavor, or odor, as that of orange juice.