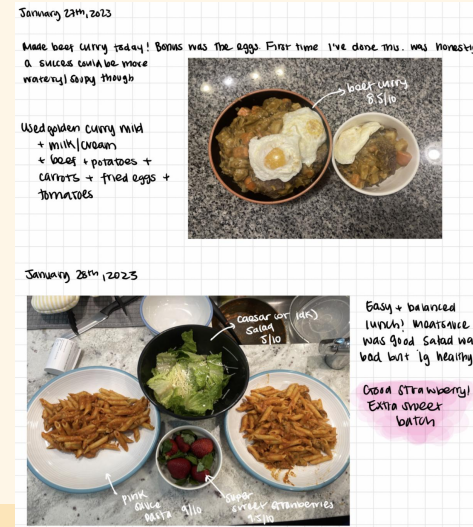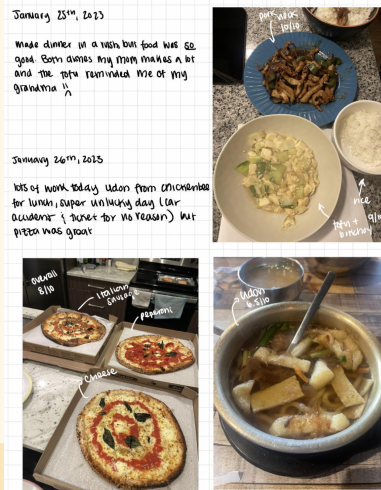# Cooking Conversations:
A taste of China

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Project Inspiration

- Inspired by my daily storytelling of making a different food everyday
- My friends are particularly interested in the food I make and some of them seem to have a very different perception of what Chinese food looks like compared to what I know
- I hope to gain an understanding of what other people think of Chinese culture and shed a little light on what Chinese food and culture means to me
- Some of my daily storytelling entries:

Project Overview: A video

01 **Pre-meal Interview**
I would interview three of my friends before making the meal to hear about what they think of Chinese culture specifically in terms of Chinese cuisine

02 **Cooking Process Video**
For the dishes I make, I will make a short cooking tutorial

03 **Enjoy the meal!**
We will hopefully enjoy the meal and maybe some clips of the thoughts

04 **Post-meal Interview**
A post-meal interview to see how this meal affected what they think of Chinese cuisine
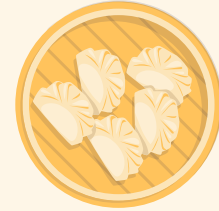
Project Subjects

David Chang

Very knowledgeable in terms of Chinese Food, but grew up in a different region and eating different Chinese cuisine

Angela Reyzelman
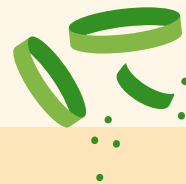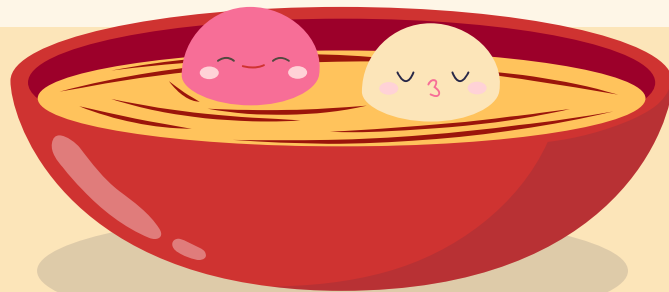
Has very little knowledge on Chinese food

Adam Vlasic

Has some knowledge about Chinese food, enjoys cooking

01

Pre-Meal Interview

Pre-meal Interview: Sample Questions

- In terms of culture, what type of role do you think food plays?
- When you think of Chinese food, what types of dishes comes to your mind?
- What do you think of when you think of Chinese food?
- Have you ever tried Chinese food before? If so, what was your experience like?
- What types of food do you typically enjoy?
- Are there any specific Chinese dishes or ingredients you're interested in trying?
- How do you think food can help us learn about different cultures?
- Do you know anything about the different types of cuisines within Chinese cuisine?

02

Meal Preparation and Meal
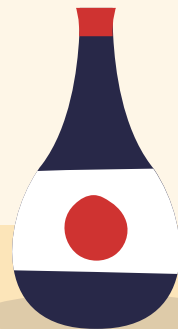
Sample Menu

Tomato and Egg

Pork Belly

Mapo Tofu

03

Post-Meal Interview

Post-meal Interview: Sample Questions

- What did you think of the meal overall?
- Was there anything that surprised you about the food or the preparation process?
- Did you learn anything new about Chinese culture through this meal?
- How did the meal compare to your expectations of Chinese food?
- Would you be interested in trying more Chinese food in the future? Why or why not?