

Grade

7-8

# Chinese Cookbook

CHINESE



**Driving Question:** How do we cook Chinese dishes at home?

## Project Description:

Each student was asked to choose the ingredient and dish that they have for their family. Based on this they will do research on the cultural background of this ingredient and the story of this in China. They also will research the recipes that are traditionally made with this ingredient and choose one that they make at home. Students then made the recipes at home or even in class and share them as a class banquet in class. They introduce their choice, why they chose it and what is the background of this ingredient and recipe. They share about how to make this dish. All of this is done in the Chinese language. They also learned the eight cuisine system in China.



## Student Products

- ▶ Research recipes and ingredients to prepare Chinese dishes
- ▶ Produce a final class cookbook in both English and Chinese

## Teacher Reflection

"The enduring question is something I would have started with if I had a chance to do this again. This would give the students a deeper understanding of their work. Many students were a bit lost at first. Having the enduring understanding or question first would have been helpful to them. Also, I was thinking we should open up who the audience was beyond the classroom, perhaps parents, other students help share their learning with a wider audience. It really takes a great deal of time to do the editing of the book. My limited knowledge of making books made this challenging. Maybe a professional editor, or train a student to help would be it better. I will be better organized if we do it again." - Lilian Wu

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