

Introduction to Chapter 1: Food Affects Life

“The danger of a single story,”

Watch the following Ted talk about the history of General Tso’s chicken:

https://www.ted.com/talks/jennifer_8_lee_looks_for_general_tso

After viewing this talk, answer the following questions:

1. What did you find out about ‘traditional’ Chinese foods? Summarize All of the information from this very fast talk into 4 – 5 sentences.
2. What foods do you consider to be 5 ‘traditional’ American foods?
3. Do you think there might be some similar misconceptions about our American favorites?
4. What is your FAVORITE family food/recipe or meal?

Do you know the origin of this recipe? *(it’s time to find out!*)

Ms. Fogarty an English teacher was asked, Why did you chose to use TED in your curriculum? She responded, “TED Talks make us pause and listen to the percolation of ideas—art, engineering, technology, the humanities, spoken word and more.”

