# Week 3: Regional Cuisine – Self Directed Project May $4^{th} - 10^{th}$

### WEEK ONE of Regional Cuisine

You will research a region of your choice and explore its cuisine. This is an expository writing assignment with regards to the research portion and must be typed out touching on all necessary points.

**"Regional cuisine** is <u>cuisine</u> based upon national, state or local regions.<sup>III</sup> Regional cuisines may vary based upon <u>food</u> availability and trade, varying <u>climates</u>, <u>cooking</u> traditions and practices, and <u>cultural</u> differences.<sup>III</sup> One noteworthy definition is based upon *traditional cuisine*: "A traditional cuisine is a coherent tradition of food preparation that rises from the daily lives and kitchens of a people over an extended period in a specific region of a country, or a specific country, and which, when localized, has notable distinctions from the cuisine of the country as a whole."<sup>III</sup> Regional food preparation traditions, customs and ingredients often combine to create dishes unique to a particular region.<sup>III</sup> Regional cuisines are often named after the geographic areas or regions that they originate from."

#### - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Regional cuisinePart A: Written Assignment

#### Choose a Region to Research answer and submit the following questions

- 1. What makes the cuisine of your region unique; (you may want to include examples of climate, fuels available, trade, economic conditions, common use of major foodstuffs)
- 2. Explain the effect of wars, redrawn borders and ethnic migration and how it has affected your region
- 3. How does religion affect cuisines of your region
- 4. Explain its climate and geography.
- 5. What is the Infrastructure like in regards to its food production.
- 6. How and where does your region export and import its foods?
- 7. What are some food preparation and preservation techniques used there?
- 8. How do values and religion play in your region?
- 9. Do superstitions, taboos and beliefs play a part in foods that are eaten there?
- 10. What makes this country's cuisine unique?
- 11. Are there celebrations? if so, what is eaten, what is not eaten and when?
- 12. Are there traditional gender roles in the acquisition and preparation of foods?
- 13. Describe the way the food in your region considering the seasonings and food and flavour combinations

## This Part is Due May 11, 2020