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Anthropology of Food Week 6

Thursday is . . .



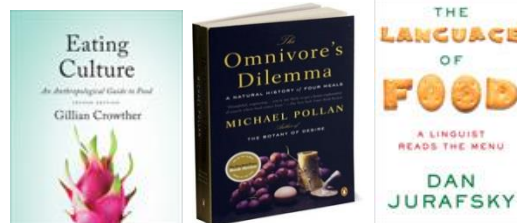
**21 February 2019**

**Midterm Exam**  
**"Recipes and Dishes"**  
**Food and Religion**

**Video Explorations:**

*Food for Body and Spirit* (29 min.)

*The Pig Commandments* (72 min.)



**1. Midterm Exam**

**2. Selective Attention Tests**

## 3. Food and Religion

## 4. Assignments



# 1. Midterm Exam

The Midterm Exam this week, will be available from Monday a.m. to Saturday (starting time) **10:00 p.m.**  
(18-23 February 2019)

**Live Chat,**  
for last-minute questions, is Sunday, 17 February 2019, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

## Other Information on the Midterm Exam

is available at [http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anthfood/afexams\\_midterm.html#title](http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anthfood/afexams_midterm.html#title).

**Don't forget . . .** that you can use the class  **canvas** **study questions for the Midterm.** Be sure to read my comments and suggestions about the questions. The Midterm will be **four essay questions**, selected from a pool generated from those included in the  **canvas** Midterm Questions exercise:

## Midterm Exam Study Questions

The final *pool* of questions generally contains 12-16 questions, all taken from the annotated wiki list of questions, including at least **one current affairs question** that I will add.

[The final pool of questions will not include more than one question on the same (or essentially similar question), which is one of the reasons why it usually ends up with 12-16 questions; other questions that were submitted would be better for the final exam, and those questions are noted).]

## 2. Selective Attention Tests

### After the Midterm Exam

—and for much of **the remainder of the term**—  
we'll be spending most of the time examining

### “How People Get Their Food in Industrial Societies”

and what that means to various groups of people around the world. We will be exploring the social, corporeal, sacred, psychological, political, economic, and cultural aspects of food *via* the texts and videos.

And hopefully, also as noted last week, in the remainder of the term you will be **applying your analytical anthropological skills** that you have been developing and honing in the first five weeks of the course. We will be visiting many parts of the globe in the process—so you will have lots of opportunities to practice your skills.

Speaking of skills . . . this week, after you are finished with your Midterm Exam, take the two short minute-and-a-half **tests of your observational skills** before you continue your intensive look at the wide variety of Anthropology of Food video materials. You should take those short tests this week, but wait until after you have finished the Midterm Exam (you will have enough to do before the Exam).



**After the Exam Take the Two (Very Short)  
Selective Attention Tests in Preparation for Watching Remaining Videos .**

**(Be sure to take both tests. Read the instructions carefully.)**

First, take the . . .

## Selective Attention Test

<<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJG698U2Mvo>>

Read and follow the directions carefully.

(Be sure to also count the *bounce* passes.)



When you are finished with the Selective Attention Test, watch . . .

## The Monkey Business Illusion

<[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGQmdoK\\_ZfY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGQmdoK_ZfY)>

(It too is short: 1:42)

Again, read and follow the directions carefully.

(And as with The Selective Attention Test, be sure to also count the *bounce* passes.)



### 3. FOOD AND RELIGION

This week food and family and religion come together head-to-head in *The Pig Commandments* where we'll see **how in traditional Malaysian Chinese culture Buddhist food beliefs are literally tearing families apart.**

On the one hand **religion**—in this case Chinese Buddhism—**unites families, and** on the other **it tears them apart.**

**This week you should watch the short** (29 min.) **film *Food for Body and Spirit***—the second film of a classic four-part series, *A Taste of China*—the film shows **how in Chinese culture religion and food has united families for over a thousand years.** *Food for Body and Spirit* visits a sacred Taoist retreat, high on Blue City Mountain in Szechuan Province, China.

 ***Food for Body and Spirit*** (29 min.)

[Food for Body and Spirit Viewing Guide](#)



**This is a “controlled comparison” involving —  
Chinese : Buddhism : Food  
in China and Malaysia**

In *Food for Body and Spirit* we have a look at a Chinese Taoist temple and Buddhist Slow Food and [Locavorism](#) which has a thousand year history . . . and we see **how food holds a part of Chinese culture together . . .**

**In *The Pig Commandments* we see how food tears apart a major segment of Chinese culture in Malaysia.**




# 4. Assignments and Events

... this week are listed on your "Calendar".



## This Week's "Calendar"

17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<p> Week 6</p>	<p> 12:01a AF 6 Midterm Exam will be available all week. Due no later than 11:59 p.m. Friday</p>	<p> AF 6 After the Exam Take the Two Selective Attention Tests (very short, 0:1:21 and 0:1:41)</p>	<p> AF 6 After the Exam Video: Food for Body and Spirit (29 min.)</p>	<p> 12:01a AF Anthropology Day 2019</p>		<p> AF 6 Discussion: "Yes, We Have No Bananas"</p>
<p> 12:01a AF 6 Midterm Exam will be available from Monday a.m. to Saturday 10:00 pm (starting time)</p>	<p> 12:01a AF 6 MIDTERM ON-LINE EXAM -- Timed at 1-1/4hrs. (The timing will start after you read the introduction, when you "say 'go'")</p>			<p> AF 6 After the Exam Video: The Pig Commandments (72 min.)</p>		<p> AF 6 Discussion: And Maybe We Have No Coffee Either ... and Maybe No Vanilla ...</p>
<p> 7p AF 6 Live Chat for Midterm Exam</p>	<p> 1a AF 6 Readings</p>					<p> AF 6 Due: Project Part 2: Formal Promissory Abstract and Working Bibliography</p>
<p> AF 6 For Fun Food Trivia: What was the average consumption of potatoes per person in Ireland before the great</p>	<p> Sunday 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.</p>					

They are also listed on the **“Syllabus”** section of your  **canvas** folder, if you prefer to have them in another form.

**And the “Syllabus” version is found here:**



**In the “Syllabus” version the assignments look like this:**

Sun Feb 17, 2019	Exam Live Chat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 Midterm Exam will be available from Monday a.m. to Saturday 10:00 pm (starting time)</li> </ul>	<b>7:00 – 8:00 p.m.</b>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 Live Chat for Midterm Exam</li> </ul>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 For Fun Food Trivia: What was the average consumption of potatoes per person in Ireland before the great potato famine of 1845?</li> </ul>	
Mon Feb 18, 2019	Exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 Midterm Exam will be available all week. Due no later than 11:59 p.m. Friday</li> </ul>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 MIDTERM ON-LINE EXAM -- Timed at 1-1/4hrs. (The timing will start after you read the introduction, when you "say 'go'")</li> </ul>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 Readings</li> </ul>	
Tue Feb 19, 2019		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 After the Exam Take the Two Selective Attention Tests (very short, 0:1:21 and 0:1:41)</li> </ul>	
Wed Feb 20, 2019		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 After the Exam Video: Food for Body and Spirit (29 min.)</li> </ul>	
Thu Feb 21, 2019		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 After the Exam Video: The Pig Commandments (72 min.)</li> </ul>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 Discussion: "Yes, We Have No Bananas"</li> </ul>	
Sat Feb 23, 2019		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 Discussion: And Maybe We Have No Coffee Either . . . and Maybe No Vanilla . . .</li> </ul>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF 6 Due: Project Part 2: Formal Promissory Abstract and Working Bibliography</li> </ul>	



# For Fun Food Trivia


this week . . .

**What was the average consumption of potatoes per person in Ireland before the great potato famine of 1845?**



Famine Memorial, Dublin, Ireland

[Answer](#)

If you have any **questions** right now, please do not hesitate to post them on the  **Canvas** Course “Chat”, or e-mail [troufs@d.umn.edu](mailto:troufs@d.umn.edu), or stop by Cina 215 if you’re in the neighborhood [[map](#)].

Best Regards,

Tim Roufs

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