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## Sample Informational Multi-Paragraph Outline

**Prompt:** Write a letter to the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee to nominate an individual who identifies as AAPI (Asian American Pacific Islander). Include historical information about your individual, including important dates, names of individuals and groups, and events. Highlight the individual's "extraordinary and enduring contributions to American society, history, culture, or environment."

Introductory Sentence: The U.S. Postal Service should create a commemorative stamp honoring Joyce Chen, a Chinese American chef, entrepreneur, and television host, who revolutionized bringing authentic Chinese cuisine and Chinese cooking methods to Americans.

Topic 1:  
Early Life, start of her  
accomplishments

Topic Sentence: Joyce Chen was born in Beijing, China, in 1917, and she moved to America in her 30's.

Supporting Details:

- Immigrated to America during the Chinese Communist Revolution
- Shared her culture through food. At kids school, then at a restaurant that she founded
- Introduced Americans to authentic Chinese dishes such as peking duck and dumplings
- Launched a cookbook and television show, *Joyce Chen Cooks*, to help people learn Chinese cooking techniques and culture

Topic 2:  
Enduring contributions as  
an entrepreneur

Topic Sentence: Joyce Chen also made a lasting impact as an entrepreneur.

Supporting Details:

- Created a line of Chinese sauces that are sold in grocery stores
- Designed a flat-bottom wok that works on American stoves
- Became a successful businesswoman and cultural ambassador, building cultural understanding and appreciation between Chinese and American communities