

CULINARY LITERACY CENTER

FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA

NEW JERSEY STATE LIBRARY
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ACADEMY



[FREELIBRARY.ORG/COOK](https://freelibrary.org/cook)

**WHAT DO YOU
COOK WHEN YOU
GET TOGETHER
WITH FRIENDS AND
FAMILY?**



MISSION

The mission of the Free Library of Philadelphia is to advance literacy, guide learning, and inspire curiosity.

The mission of the Culinary Literacy Center is to advance literacy through food and cooking around a communal table.



WHY A KITCHEN IN A LIBRARY?



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Libraries and food connect people to the familiar and invite exploration of the new.

Food is a vehicle for learning. Libraries support life-long learning.



A person wearing a red t-shirt is holding a bunch of green leafy vegetables, possibly kale or spinach, in a kitchen. The background is slightly blurred, showing other people and kitchen equipment. A semi-transparent red banner is overlaid on the image, containing white text.

WHAT IS CULINARY LITERACY?

We define Culinary Literacy both as learning about cooking and learning through cooking.



OUR AUDIENCE

Who is our community?

What are their needs?

What is our Strategic Plan?

OUR PROGRAMS

LOGISTICS

Space and Equipment

Safety

Regulations

Instructors

Funding

Staffing Model

Toolkit



OUR PROGRAMS

Public:

CLC and Neighborhood
Libraries

Targeted:

Nourishing Literacy

Cookability

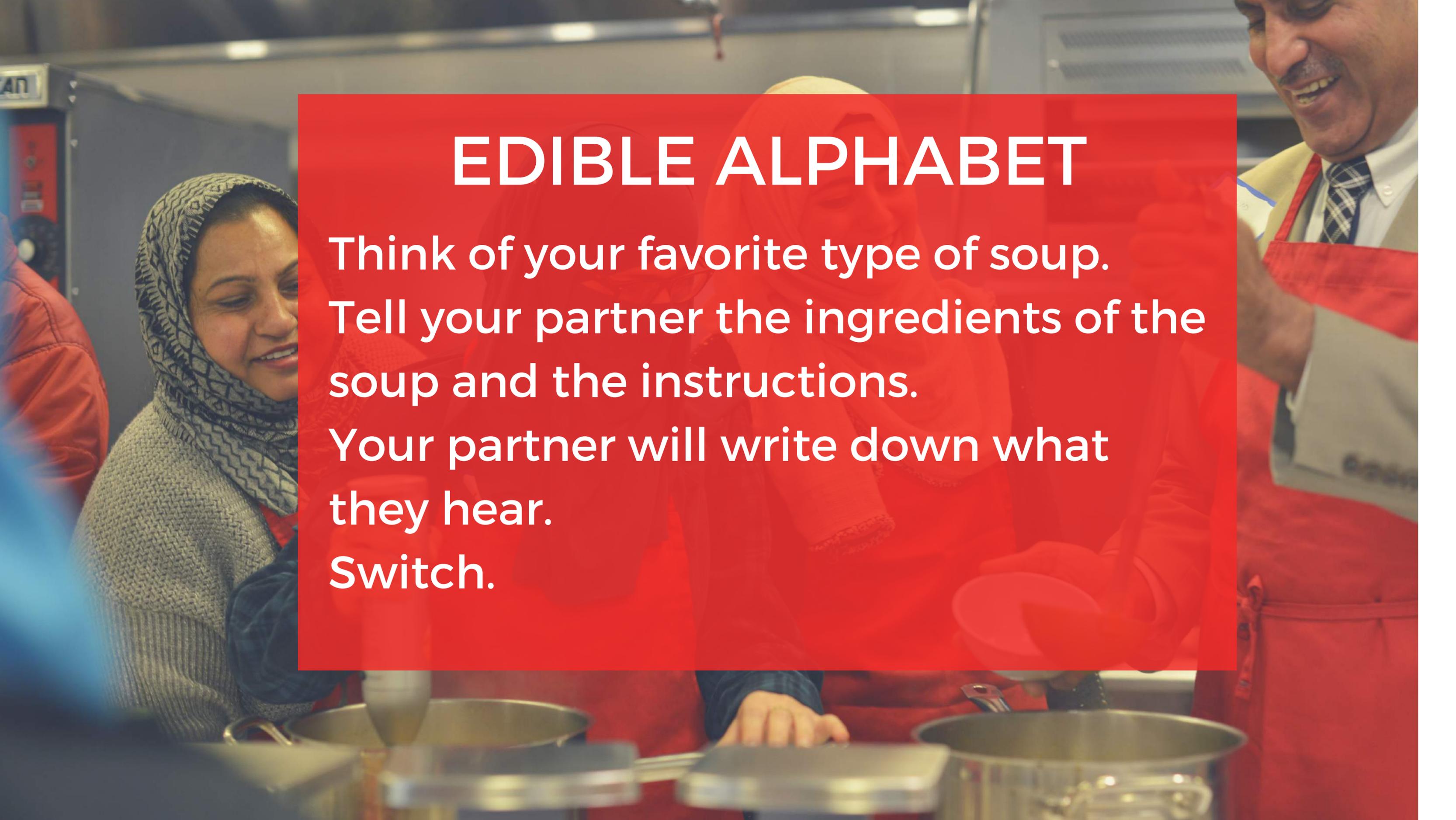
Cooking with Confidence

Edible Alphabet



EDIBLE ALPHABET

- Teaching English by using cooking and the library as the vehicle for learning
- Students learn through reading, writing, and speaking in English
- Learning by working collaboratively
- An entry point to the library's resources



EDIBLE ALPHABET

Think of your favorite type of soup.
Tell your partner the ingredients of the
soup and the instructions.
Your partner will write down what
they hear.
Switch.



EDIBLE ALPHABET

Programming in Neighborhood Libraries
Culinary Literacy Cart and Kitchen in a Box

STRATEGIC GROWTH

Never a one and done

Leverage for future
replication





YOUR AUDIENCE

A community I can better serve is:

Library resources I will leverage to serve this community are:

I need these additional resources:

The people and partners who will help me accomplish this are:

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a red bell pepper over a white piece of paper. The paper has a purple ink print of the pepper's shape. The background is a light-colored surface with other colorful papers. A semi-transparent red banner is overlaid across the middle of the image.

QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU

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