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1. Introduction

About Project:

The Voice Recipe Assistant is a modern, serverless web application designed to simulate a conversational AI kitchen helper. The system leverages a powerful combination of AWS services to create an intelligent and interactive user experience.

At its core, the project uses Amazon Lex V2 for Natural Language Understanding (NLU), allowing it to interpret user requests for recipes, ingredients, or cooking steps. It uses Amazon Polly to convert the bot's text-based answers into natural, lifelike speech, making the application accessible and hands-free.

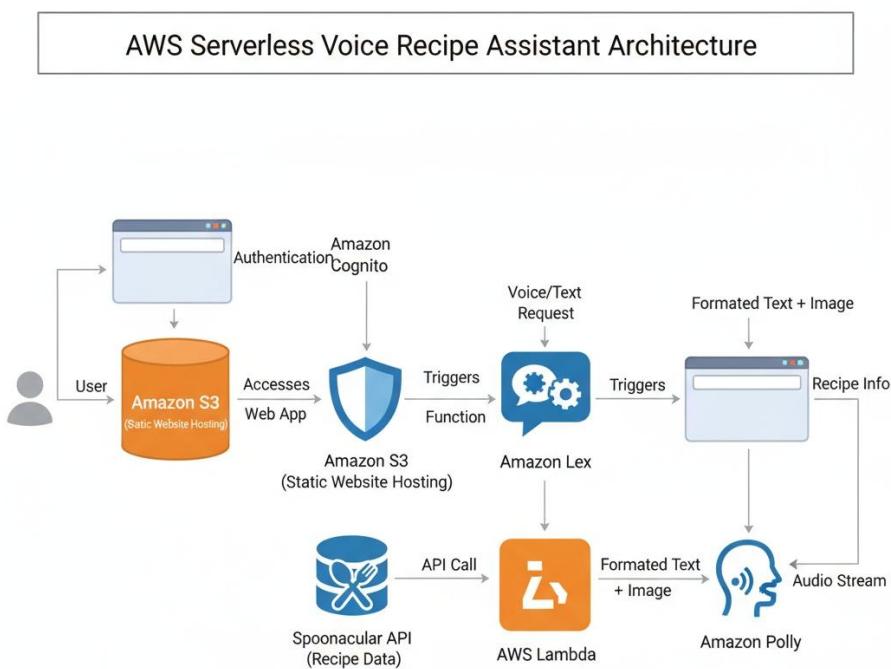
The entire application is serverless, with the frontend hosted on Amazon S3, backend logic on AWS Lambda, and security managed by Amazon Cognito and IAM.

OBJECTIVE:

The primary objective of this project is to build a web-based, voice-enabled conversational assistant using AWS services. The goal is to allow users to input text (or in the future, voice) and receive a helpful, context-aware audio-visual response in real-time, ensuring a smooth, scalable, and intelligent serverless experience.

2. Project Architecture & Flowchart

Voice Recipe Assistant Architecture



The user accesses the web app hosted on Amazon S3, authenticates via Amazon Cognito, and sends a voice or text recipe request. Amazon Lex processes the request and invokes an AWS Lambda function, which queries the Spoonacular API for recipe data. Lambda then formats the recipe title, image, and instructions. This formatted response is returned to Lex, which sends it back to the web app for display. At the same time, the text is sent to Amazon Polly, which synthesizes it into audio so users hear the recipe aloud.

The entire application is built on a 100% serverless "event-driven" architecture. This model uses managed AWS services and a third-party API (Spoonacular) to handle all functionality, from the user interface to the AI logic and data retrieval.

Workflow Description (Features in Action)

The data flows through the system in a secure and logical sequence:

1. User Interface (Amazon S3): The user opens the web application in their browser. This static website (HTML, CSS, and JavaScript) is loaded from an Amazon S3 bucket configured for static website hosting.

2. Authentication (Amazon Cognito): As the page loads, the JavaScript application communicates with an Amazon Cognito Identity Pool. Cognito provides the application with secure, temporary AWS credentials, allowing the browser to directly (and safely) access specific AWS services, namely Amazon Lex and Amazon Polly.

3. Natural Language Understanding (Amazon Lex V2):

The user types a request, such as "Find me a recipe for chicken pasta," and hits "Send."

The frontend JavaScript sends this text directly to the Amazon Lex V2 bot.

Lex processes this text, identifies the user's Intent (e.g., FindRecipe), and extracts the key Slots (e.g., ingredient: "chicken", dish: "pasta").

4. Backend Fulfillment (AWS Lambda & Spoonacular):

The Lex bot is configured to use an AWS Lambda function for fulfillment.

Lex triggers the Lambda function, passing it the FindRecipe intent and the "chicken pasta" slots.

The Lambda function's code then makes a secure HTTP request to the Spoonacular API. This request includes the recipe query and a private API key (securely stored as a Lambda environment variable).

5. Data Retrieval (Spoonacular API): The Spoonacular API receives the request, searches its vast database, and returns the recipe data (including title, image URL, and instructions) to the Lambda function in JSON format.

6. Response Processing (AWS Lambda): The Lambda function parses the JSON from Spoonacular. It extracts the most relevant recipe title and image URL and formats a user-friendly text response (e.g., "I found a great recipe for Chicken Alfredo Pasta!").

7. Response to Frontend (Amazon Lex): Lambda passes this formatted text and the recipe image URL back to Lex. Lex, in turn, relays this complete response package to the frontend JavaScript in the browser.

8. Render Text & Images (S3/Browser): The JavaScript code receives the response from Lex. It instantly updates the chat window to display the bot's text message and uses the image URL to display the recipe's picture.

9. Speech Synthesis (Amazon Polly):

Simultaneously, the JavaScript takes only the text part of the bot's response ("I found a great recipe...") and sends it to the Amazon Polly service.

Polly synthesizes this text into a natural-sounding, lifelike MP3 audio stream.

10. Play Audio (Browser): Polly streams the audio back to the browser, which plays it immediately, giving the user both a visual and audible response

3. List of Cloud Services & APIs Used

This project integrates several key technologies to function:

Sr. No.	Name of Service / API	Specification	Purpose (Usage in Project)
1	Amazon Lex V2	AWS AI Service	Provides Natural Language Understanding (NLU) to identify user intents and slots; manages the conversational flow.
2	Amazon Polly	AWS AI Service	Provides Text-to-Speech (TTS) synthesis, converting the bot's text replies into a playable audio voice.
3	AWS Lambda	Serverless Compute	The backend "brain." It runs the code to fulfill the Lex intent, call the Spoonacular API, and process the results.
4	Spoonacular API	3rd Party REST API	The project's data source. Provides all recipe data, including titles, instructions, and image URLs, via HTTP requests.
5	Amazon S3	Cloud Storage	Hosts the static website (HTML, CSS, JavaScript files) and makes it accessible to the public internet.
6	Amazon Cognito	Security & Identity	Provides secure, temporary AWS credentials to the frontend web application so it can access Lex and Polly without exposing secret keys.
7	IAM Roles	Security	Grants specific permissions for AWS services to communicate with each other (e.g., allowing Lex to invoke Lambda, allowing Lambda to write logs).

4. Step-by-Step Execution with screenshots in detailed

The screenshot shows the 'Create user' wizard in the AWS IAM console. The current step is 'Specify user details'. On the left, a sidebar lists four steps: Step 1 (selected), Step 2, Step 3, and Step 4. The main area is titled 'Specify user details' and contains a 'User details' section. Under 'User name', the value 'recipe-developer' is entered. A note states: 'The user name can have up to 64 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, and + = , . @ _ - (hyphen)'. Below this is a checkbox for 'Provide user access to the AWS Management Console - optional', which is checked. A note under it says: 'If you're providing console access to a person, it's a best practice [link] to manage their access in IAM Identity Center.' Under 'Console password', there are two options: 'Autogenerated password' (selected) and 'Custom password'. The 'Autogenerated password' option includes a note: 'You can view the password after you create the user.' The 'Custom password' option includes a note: 'Enter a custom password for the user.' At the bottom right of the main form, there is a large, semi-transparent button with the text 'Next Step'.

Create user | IAM | Global

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/users/create

aws Search [Alt+S]

Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 Global AkulaSrinithya13

IAM > Users > Create user

Step 3 Review and create

Step 4 Retrieve password

Permissions options

- Add user to group
Add user to an existing group, or create a new group. We recommend using groups to manage user permissions by job function.
- Copy permissions
Copy all group memberships, attached managed policies, and inline policies from an existing user.
- Attach policies directly
Attach a managed policy directly to a user. As a best practice, we recommend attaching policies to a group instead. Then, add the user to the appropriate group.

Permissions policies (1/1399)

Choose one or more policies to attach to your new user.

Filter by Type

Policy name	Type	Attached entities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AdministratorAccess	AWS managed - job function	1
<input type="checkbox"/> AdministratorAccess-Amp...	AWS managed	0

Create policy

CloudShell Feedback

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Create user | IAM | Global

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/users/create

aws Search [Alt+S]

Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 Global AkulaSrinithya13

IAM > Users > Create user

User created successfully

You can view and download the user's password and email instructions for signing in to the AWS Management Console.

[View user](#)

Step 1 Specify user details

Step 2 Set permissions

Step 3 Review and create

Step 4 **Retrieve password**

Retrieve password

You can view and download the user's password below or email users instructions for signing in to the AWS Management Console. This is the only time you can view and download this password.

Console sign-in details

[Email sign-in instructions](#)

Console sign-in URL
<https://657343904644.signin.aws.amazon.com/console>

User name
[recipe-developer](#)

Console password
[***** Show](#)

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Screenshot of the AWS Console Home page (us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/console/home?region=us-east-1#). The page shows recently visited services (None), applications (0), and a section to explore commonly visited AWS services like EC2, S3, Aurora and RDS, and Lambda.

Screenshot of the AWS Lambda 'Create function' page (us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lambda/home?region=us-east-1#/create/function?intent=authorFromScratch). The user has chosen 'Author from scratch'. The 'Basic information' section includes fields for Function name (VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic) and Runtime (Python 3.12). A sidebar provides a tutorial on creating a simple web app.

Execution role
Choose a role that defines the permissions of your function. To create a custom role, go to the [IAM console](#).
 Create a new role with basic Lambda permissions
 Use an existing role
 Create a new role from AWS policy templates

Additional configurations

Code Editor

```

VOICERECIPEASSISTANT-LOGIC
└─ lambda_function.py
    lambda_function.py
    1 import json
    2 import os
    3 import requests
    4
    5 # Set up the Spoonacular API details
    6 # The API key will be loaded from an environment variable
    7 API_HOST = "https://api.spoonacular.com/recipes/findByIngredient"
    8
    9
    10 def build_lex_response(intent_name, message_content):
    11     """
    12         Builds a JSON response in the format Amazon Lex V2 expects.
    13     """
    14     return {
    15         "sessionState": {
    16             "dialogAction": {
    17                 ...
    18             },
    19             "intent": {
    20                 ...
    21             }
    22         }
    23     }

```

Tutorials

Create a simple web app

In this tutorial you will learn how to:

- Build a simple web app, consisting of a Lambda function with a function URL that outputs a webpage
- Invoke your function through its function URL

[Learn more](#)

Your Spoonacular API Key

We must never paste the API key directly into the code. We use Environment Variables, which is the secure, professional way.

Go to the Configuration Tab:

On your Lambda function's page, click the "Configuration" tab (it's next to the "Code" tab you are on).

Open Environment Variables:

On the left-hand menu, click "Environment variables".

Add Your Key:

Click the "Edit" button.

Click "Add environment variable".

You will see two boxes, "Key" and "Value".

Key: SPOONACULAR_API_KEY (You must type this exactly as shown, all caps. Our code looks for this exact name.)

Value: Paste your Spoonacular API key (the long string you saved from their website).

Click the orange "Save"

The screenshot shows the 'Edit environment variables' page in the AWS Lambda console. A new environment variable named 'SPOONACULAR_API_KEY' has been added, but its value is currently empty. The 'Save' button at the bottom right is highlighted in orange.

The screenshot shows the details page for the 'VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic' function. A green success message at the top indicates that the function was successfully updated. The 'Actions' dropdown is open, showing options like Throttle, Copy ARN, and Download. The 'Function overview' section displays the function's name, ARN, and last modified time. The 'Description' and 'Function URL' sections are also visible.

Successfully updated the function VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic.

Test event [Info](#)

To invoke your function without saving an event, configure the JSON event, then choose Test.

Test event action

Create new event Edit saved event

Invocation type

Synchronous
Executes the Lambda function and blocks until receiving the function's response, with a maximum timeout of 15 minutes. Returns function output or error details directly to the calling application.

Asynchronous
Enqueues the Lambda function for execution and returns immediately with a request ID. Function processes independently, with results optionally sent to a configured destination like SQS, SNS, or EventBridge.

Event name

LexTest-Paneer-Tomato

Maximum of 25 characters consisting of letters, numbers, dots, hyphens and underscores.

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Learn how to implement common use cases in AWS Lambda.

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Event JSON code:

```
{  
  "sessionState": {  
    "intent": {  
      "name": "SearchRecipes",  
      "slots": {  
        "Ingredient": {  
          "values": [  
            {  
              "value": {  
                "originalValue": "paneer",  
                "resolvedValues": [  
                  "paneer"  
                ],  
                "interpretedValue": "paneer"  
              }  
            },  
            {  
              "value": {  
                "originalValue": "tomato",  
                "resolvedValues": [  
                  "tomato"  
                ],  
                "interpretedValue": "tomato"  
              }  
            }  
          ]  
        },  
        "state": "ReadyForFulfillment"  
      },  
      "invocationSource": "FulfillmentCodeHook"  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Lambda code:

```
import json  
import os  
import urllib.request  
import urllib.parse  
from urllib.error import HTTPError  
import boto3
```

```

import re
import html # For escaping

# --- Initialize Services ---
try:
    dynamodb = boto3.resource('dynamodb')
    USER_TABLE_NAME = 'VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users'
    user_table = dynamodb.Table(USER_TABLE_NAME)
    print("DynamoDB connected.")
except Exception as e:
    print(f"ERROR connecting DynamoDB: {e}"); user_table = None

API_HOST = "https://api.spoonacular.com"
SEARCH_PATH = "/recipes/findByIngredients"
INSTRUCTIONS_PATH = "/recipes/{id}/analyzedInstructions"
NUTRITION_PATH = "/recipes/{id}/nutritionWidget.json"

NON_VEGAN_KEYWORDS = ['beef', 'pork', 'lamb', 'chicken', 'turkey', 'fish', 'salmon', 'tuna', 'shrimp', 'cheese', 'milk', 'yogurt', 'butter', 'cream', 'paneer', 'egg', 'honey']
NON_VEGAN_PATTERN = re.compile(r'\b(?:' + '|'.join(NON_VEGAN_KEYWORDS) + r')\b', re.IGNORECASE)

def escape_ssml(text):
    """ Escapes characters invalid in SSML using html.escape """
    return html.escape(text or "", quote=True)

# ===== ROUTER =====
def lambda_handler(event, context):
    print(f"Event: {json.dumps(event)}")
    # Safely get intent name, handle potential missing keys
    intent_name = event.get('sessionState', {}).get('intent', {}).get('name', 'FallbackIntent')
    print(f"Intent: {intent_name}")

    if intent_name == 'UpdateProfile': return handle_update_profile(event)
    elif intent_name == 'SearchRecipes': return handle_search_recipes(event)
    elif intent_name == 'StartCooking': return handle_start_cooking(event)
    elif intent_name == 'NextStep': return handle_next_step(event)
    elif intent_name == 'GetNutrition': return handle_get_nutrition(event)
    else: # Default to FallbackIntent
        ssml_msg = f"<speak>Sorry, I'm not sure how to handle that command.</speak>"
        return build_lex_response({}, 'FallbackIntent', {"ssmlMessage": ssml_msg}, "SSML")

# ===== SEARCH RECIPES =====
def handle_search_recipes(event):
    print("Handler: search_recipes")
    try: API_KEY = os.environ['SPOONACULAR_API_KEY']
    except KeyError: return build_lex_response({}, "SearchRecipes", {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Assistant not configured: Missing API key.</speak>"}, "SSML")

    sessionAttrs = event.get('sessionState', {}).get('sessionAttributes', {})
    user_id = event.get('sessionId', 'test-user'); user_profile = get_user_profile(user_id)
    intent_name = event['sessionState']['intent'][name]; slots = event['sessionState']['intent']['slots']

    # --- Robust Ingredient Extraction ---
    ingredients = []
    ingredient_slot = slots.get('Ingredient') # Get the slot safely
    if ingredient_slot:
        if 'values' in ingredient_slot and ingredient_slot['values']: # Check if values list exists and is not empty
            ingredients.extend(v['value']['interpretedValue'] for v in ingredient_slot['values'] if v.get('value') and v['value'].get('interpretedValue'))
        elif 'value' in ingredient_slot and ingredient_slot['value'] and ingredient_slot['value'].get('interpretedValue'): # Check if single value exists
            ingredients.append(ingredient_slot['value']['interpretedValue'])

    # --- Check for ingredients AFTER attempting extraction ---
    if not ingredients:
        print("No valid ingredients found in slots.")
        return build_lex_response(sessionAttrs, intent_name, {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>I didn't catch any valid ingredients. Please try again.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    # --- End Check ---

    ingredients_str = ",".join(ingredients)
    print(f"Found ingredients: {ingredients_str}")

    params = {"apiKey": API_KEY, "ingredients": ingredients_str, "number": 10, "ranking": 1}
    user_diet = user_profile.get('diet'); allergies = set(user_profile.get('allergies', [])); is_vegan = False
    if user_diet:
        if user_diet.lower() == 'vegan': is_vegan = True; allergies.update(["dairy", "eggs"])

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        else: params['diet'] = user_diet
    if allergies: params['intolerances'] = ",".join(list(allergies))
    url = f"{API_HOST}{SEARCH_PATH}?{urllib.parse.urlencode(params)}"
    print(f"API Call: {url}")
    try:
        req = urllib.request.Request(url);
        with urllib.request.urlopen(req) as resp: api_recipes = json.loads(resp.read().decode('utf-8'))
        recipes = [r for r in api_recipes if not (is_vegan and NON_VEGAN_PATTERN.search(r.get('title','')))] if is_vegan else
api_recipes
        if not recipes:
            filter_msg_text = f" for your {user_diet} diet" if user_diet else ""; filter_msg_text += f" avoiding
{','.join(list(allergies))}" if allergies else ""
            plain_msg = f"Sorry, I couldn't find recipes matching {ingredients_str}{filter_msg_text}."
            ssml_msg = f"<speak>{escape_ssml(plain_msg)}</speak>"
            msg = {"ssmlMessage": ssml_msg}; session_attrs = {}
        else:
            top_recipe = recipes[0]; recipe_id, title, img = str(top_recipe['id']), top_recipe['title'], top_recipe.get('image', '')
            session_attrs.update({'currentRecipeId': recipe_id, 'currentRecipeTitle': title}); session_attrs.pop('cookingSteps', None);
session_attrs.pop('currentStep', None)
            filter_msg_text = f" for your {user_diet} diet" if user_diet else ""; filter_msg_text += f" avoiding
{','.join(list(allergies))}" if allergies else ""
            plain_msg = f"Success! I found {len(recipes[:1])} valid recipe(s){filter_msg_text}. The top result is {title}. You can ask
me to 'start cooking' or 'get nutrition'."
            ssml_msg = f"<speak>{escape_ssml(plain_msg)}</speak>"
            msg = {"ssmlMessage": ssml_msg, "recipeInfo": {"title": title, "imageUrl": img}}
    except HTTPError as e:
        print(f"API Error: {e.code}");
        error_detail = ""
        try: # Try to read error body for more info
            error_body = e.read().decode('utf-8')
            print(f"API Error Body: {error_body}")
            if e.code == 401: error_detail = " Check the API key."
            elif e.code == 402: error_detail = " The API quota might be exceeded."
        except Exception: pass # Ignore if reading body fails
        msg = {"ssmlMessage": f"<speak>Sorry, there was an error searching for recipes.{error_detail}</speak>"};
        session_attrs = {}
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Search Exception: {str(e)}")
        msg = {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Sorry, an unexpected problem occurred while searching.</speak>"};
        session_attrs = {}

    return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name, msg, "SSML", "Close") # Send SSML

# ===== START COOKING =====
def handle_start_cooking(event):
    print("Handler: start_cooking")
    session_attrs = event.get('sessionState', {}).get('sessionAttributes', {})
    recipe_id = session_attrs.get('currentRecipeId'); title = session_attrs.get('currentRecipeTitle', 'recipe')
    if not recipe_id: return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "StartCooking", {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>No recipe loaded.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    try:
        API_KEY = os.environ['SPOONACULAR_API_KEY']; url = f"{API_HOST}{INSTRUCTIONS_PATH.format(id=recipe_id)}?apiKey={API_KEY}"
        print(f"Fetching instructions: {url}"); req = urllib.request.Request(url)
        with urllib.request.urlopen(req) as resp: instructions = json.loads(resp.read().decode('utf-8'))
        if not instructions or not isinstance(instructions, list) or not instructions[0].get('steps'): return
build_lex_response(session_attrs, "StartCooking", {"ssmlMessage": f"<speak>Couldn't find steps for {escape_ssml(title)}</speak>"}, "SSML")
        steps_data = instructions[0]['steps']
        if not steps_data: return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "StartCooking", {"ssmlMessage": f"<speak>No steps listed for
{escape_ssml(title)}</speak>"}, "SSML")
        steps = [s['step'] for s in steps_data]; session_attrs.update({'cookingSteps': json.dumps(steps), 'currentStep': "0"})
        safe_title = escape_ssml(title); safe_step = escape_ssml(steps[0])
        ssml = f"<speak>OK, let's cook {safe_title}. <brack time='500ms'/> Step 1: {safe_step} <brack time='1s'/> Say 'next'.</speak>"
        return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "StartCooking", {"ssmlMessage": ssml}, "SSML", "ElicitIntent")
    except HTTPError as e: print(f"API Error instructions: {e.code}"); return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "StartCooking",
{"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Error getting instructions from service.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    except Exception as e: print(f"Parse Error instructions: {str(e)}"); return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "StartCooking",
{"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Error processing instructions.</speak>"}, "SSML")

# ===== NEXT STEP =====
def handle_next_step(event):
    print("Handler: next_step")
    session_attrs = event.get('sessionState', {}).get('sessionAttributes', {})
    if 'cookingSteps' not in session_attrs or 'currentStep' not in session_attrs: return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "NextStep",
{"ssmlMessage": "<speak>No steps loaded.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    try:
        steps = json.loads(session_attrs['cookingSteps']); current_idx = int(session_attrs['currentStep']); next_idx = current_idx + 1
        if next_idx >= len(steps):
            session_attrs = {}; ssml = "<speak>You're all done! Enjoy.</speak>"

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        return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "NextStep", {"ssmlMessage": ssml}, "SSML", "Close")
    else:
        session_attrs['currentStep'] = str(next_idx)
        safe_step = escape_ssml(steps[next_idx])
        ssml = f"<speak>Step {next_idx + 1}: {safe_step} <break time='1s' /> Say 'next'.</speak>"
        return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "NextStep", {"ssmlMessage": ssml}, "SSML", "ElicitIntent")
    except Exception as e: print(f"Error in next_step: {str(e)}"); return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "NextStep", {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Sorry, I lost my place.</speak>"}, "SSML")

# ===== UPDATE PROFILE =====
def handle_update_profile(event):
    print("Handler: update_profile")
    session_attrs = event.get('sessionState', {}).get('sessionAttributes', {})
    if not user_table: return build_lex_response(session_attrs, "UpdateProfile", {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Can't connect user database.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    intent_name, slots, user_id = event['sessionState']['intent']['name'], event['sessionState']['intent']['slots'],
    event.get('sessionId')
    if not user_id: return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name, {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Can't find session ID.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    diet_slot, allergy_slot = slots.get('Diet'), slots.get('Allergy'); parts, vals, names, saved = [], {}, {}, []
    current_allergies = set(get_user_profile(user_id).get('allergies', [])); new_allergies = set()
    if diet_slot and diet_slot.get('value'): user_diet = diet_slot['value']['interpretedValue']; parts.append("#d = :d"); names['#d'], vals[':d'] = 'diet', user_diet; saved.append(f"diet as {user_diet}")
    if allergy_slot and allergy_slot.get('values'): new_allergies.update(v['value']['interpretedValue'] for v in allergy_slot['values']
    if v.get('value') and v['value'].get('interpretedValue'))
    elif allergy_slot and allergy_slot.get('value') and allergy_slot['value'].get('interpretedValue'):
        new_allergies.add(allergy_slot['value']['interpretedValue'])
    if new_allergies: combined = current_allergies.union(new_allergies); parts.append("#a = :a"); names['#a'], vals[':a'] = 'allergies',
    list(combined); saved.append(f"allergies as {', '.join(vals[':a'])}")
    if not saved: return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name, {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Didn't catch what profile information to save.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    try:
        user_table.update_item(Key={'UserId': user_id}, UpdateExpression="SET " + ", ".join(parts), ExpressionAttributeNames=names,
        ExpressionAttributeValues=vals)
        plain_msg = f"OK! Updated profile with { ' and '.join(saved) }."
    except Exception as e: print(f"DB Error: {str(e)}"); plain_msg = "Problem saving profile update."
    ssml_msg = f"<speak>{escape_ssml(plain_msg)}</speak>"
    return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name, {"ssmlMessage": ssml_msg}, "SSML") # Send SSML

# ===== GET NUTRITION =====
def handle_get_nutrition(event):
    print("Handler: get_nutrition")
    session_attrs = event.get('sessionState', {}).get('sessionAttributes', {}); intent_name = event['sessionState']['intent']['name']
    recipe_id = session_attrs.get('currentRecipeId'); title = session_attrs.get('currentRecipeTitle', 'the recipe')
    if not recipe_id: return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name, {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>No recipe loaded.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    try:
        API_KEY = os.environ['SPOONACULAR_API_KEY']; url = f"{API_HOST}{NUTRITION_PATH.format(id=recipe_id)}?apiKey={API_KEY}"
        print(f"Fetching nutrition: {url}"); req = urllib.request.Request(url)
        with urllib.request.urlopen(req) as resp: nutrition = json.loads(resp.read().decode('utf-8'))
        cal, prot, fat, carb = nutrition.get('calories', 'N/A'), nutrition.get('protein', 'N/A'), nutrition.get('fat', 'N/A'),
        nutrition.get('carbs', 'N/A')
        plain_msg = f"Nutrition for {title} (per serving): Calories are {cal}, Protein is {prot}, Fat is {fat}, and Carbohydrates are {carb}."
        ssml_msg = f"<speak>{escape_ssml(plain_msg)}</speak>"
        return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name, {"ssmlMessage": ssml_msg}, "SSML", "ElicitIntent")
    except HTTPError as e: print(f"API Error nutrition: {e.code}"); return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name,
    {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Couldn't get nutrition info.</speak>"}, "SSML")
    except Exception as e: print(f"Parse Error nutrition: {str(e)}"); return build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name,
    {"ssmlMessage": "<speak>Error getting nutrition info.</speak>"}, "SSML")

# ===== HELPERS =====
def build_lex_response(session_attrs, intent_name, msg_content, msg_type_hint="PlainText", dialog_action_type="Close"):
    final_content, content_type = "", "PlainText"
    if isinstance(msg_content, dict) and "ssmlMessage" in msg_content: final_content, content_type = msg_content["ssmlMessage"], "SSML"
    elif isinstance(msg_content, dict) and "plainTextMessage" in msg_content: final_content = msg_content["plainTextMessage"];
    content_type="PlainText" # Always use PlainText if ssmlMessage not present
    elif isinstance(msg_content, str): final_content, content_type = msg_content, "PlainText" # Assume string is PlainText
    else: final_content = "<speak>Processing complete.</speak>"; content_type="SSML" # Default SSML fallback

    # If the FINAL decision is SSML, ensure it's wrapped
    if content_type == "SSML" and not final_content.strip().startswith('<speak>'):
        final_content = f"<speak>{escape_ssml(final_content)}</speak>"

    intent_state = "InProgress" if dialog_action_type != "Close" else "Fulfilled"; current_intent = {"name": intent_name, "state": intent_state, "slots": {}}
    dialog_action = {"type": dialog_action_type}
    # For Close action, Lex V2 requires intent details within dialogAction
    if dialog_action_type == "Close": dialog_action["intent"] = {"name": intent_name, "state": "Fulfilled", "slots": {}}

```

```

safe_session_attrs = session_attrs or {}
response = {"sessionState": {"sessionAttributes": safe_session_attrs, "dialogAction": dialog_action, "intent": current_intent},
"messages": [{"contentType": content_type, "content": final_content}]}
if isinstance(msg_content, dict) and "recipeInfo" in msg_content:
    response['sessionState']['sessionAttributes']['appContext'] = json.dumps({"recipeInfo": msg_content["recipeInfo"]})
print(f"Final sessionAttributes: {json.dumps(response['sessionState']['sessionAttributes'])}")
print(f"Sending message type: {content_type}")
return response

def get_user_profile(user_id):
    if not user_table: return {'allergies': []}
    try:
        resp = user_table.get_item(Key={'UserId': user_id})
        if 'Item' in resp: profile = resp['Item']; profile.setdefault('allergies', []); return profile
        else: print(f"No profile for {user_id}. Creating."); new_profile = {'UserId': user_id, 'allergies': []};
    user_table.put_item(Item=new_profile); return new_profile
    except Exception as e: print(f"DB Error get/create profile: {str(e)}"); return {'allergies': []}

```

Add empty intent

Create a custom intent for your bot.

Intent name

GetNutrition

Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _

Cancel

Add

Successfully updated the function VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic.

The test event "LexTest-Paneer-Tomato" was successfully saved.

Executing function: succeeded (logs)

Details

```
{
  "sessionstate": {
    "dialogaction": {
      "type": "close"
    },
    "intent": {
      "name": "SearchRecipes",
      "state": "Fulfilled"
    }
  }
}
```

Summary

Code SHA-256: HAPq9EReJVEC5gLavtc/gyd5vZtd9eiUGF932t0jBxY=

Execution time: 22 seconds ago

Learn how to implement common use cases in AWS Lambda.

Create a simple web app

In this tutorial you will learn how to:

- Build a simple web app, consisting of a Lambda function with a function URL that outputs a webpage
- Invoke your function through its function URL

[Learn more](#)

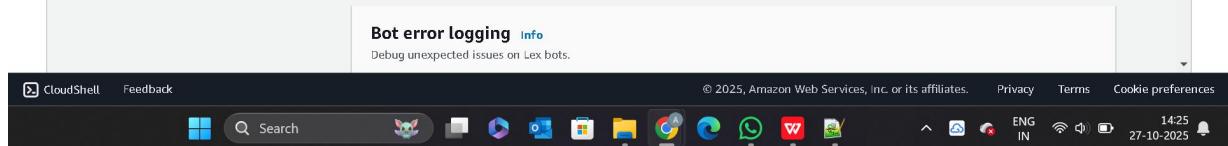
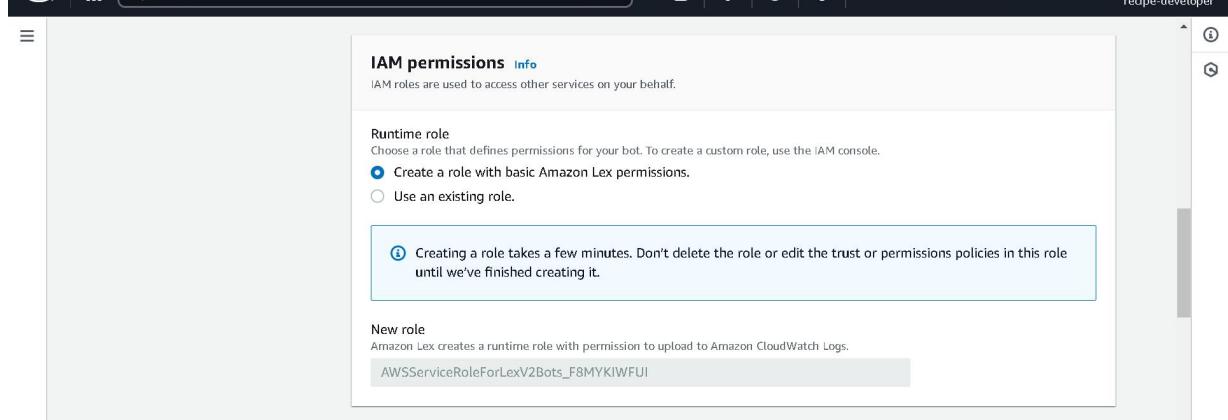
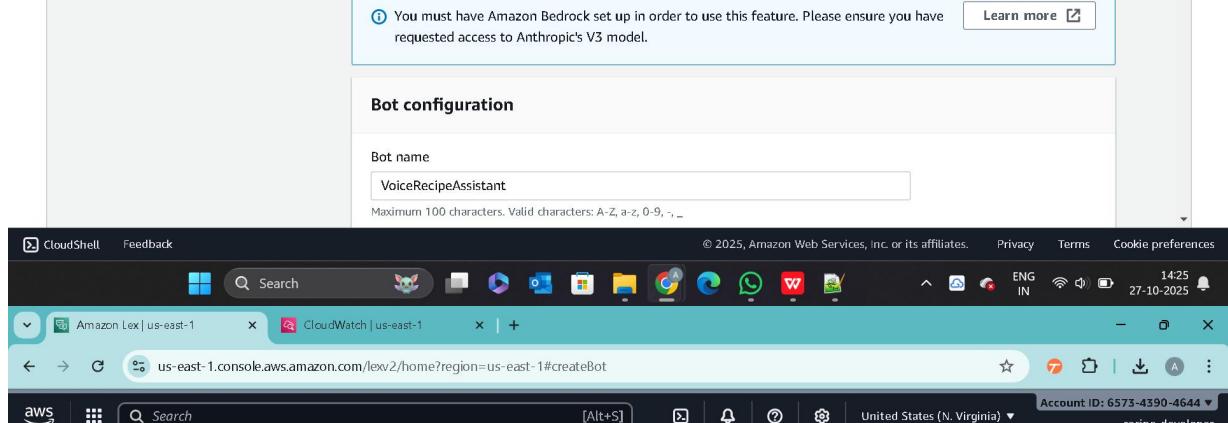
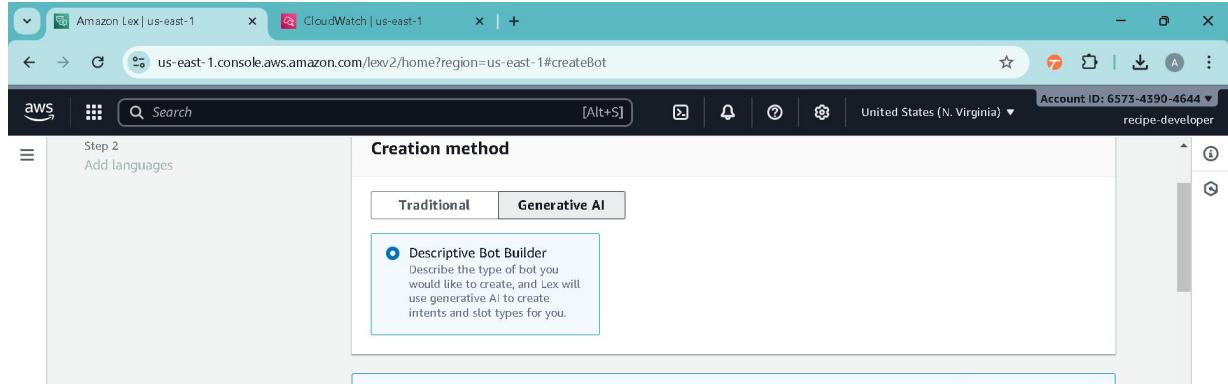
This were success details I got:

```
{
  "sessionState": {
    "dialogAction": {
      "type": "Close"
    },
    "intent": {
      "name": "SearchRecipes",
      "state": "Fulfilled"
    }
  },
  "messages": [
  {

```

```
"contentType": "PlainText",
"content": "Success! I found 3 recipes using paneer,tomato. The top result is: Vegetable Paneer Skewers Or Paneer Tikka.
You can see an image here: https://img.spoonacular.com/recipes/664575-312x231.jpg"
```

}



The screenshot shows the AWS Lambda console interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Amazon Lex | us-east-1' and 'CloudWatch | us-east-1'. The main content area displays the URL 'us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#createBot'. The page title is 'Add language to bot' with an 'Info' link. On the left, a sidebar shows 'Step 1 Configure bot settings' and 'Step 2 Add languages'. The main form is titled 'Language: English (US)'. It includes fields for 'Select language' (set to 'English (US)'), 'Voice interaction' (set to 'Joanna'), 'Voice sample' (a text input with placeholder 'Hello, my name is Joanna. Let me know how I can assist you.' and a 'Play' button), and 'Intent classification confidence score threshold' (set to '0.40'). Below these fields, a note says 'Min: 0.00, max: 1.00.' At the bottom right of the form are 'Cancel', 'Add another language', and 'Done' buttons. The status bar at the bottom of the browser window shows 'CloudShell Feedback' and various system icons.

Amazon Lex | us-east-1 CloudWatch | us-east-1

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot/CHL3QXZFVQ/locale/en_US/intents

Amazon Lex Lex Bots Bot: VoiceRecip... Versions Version: Draft All languages Language: English (US) Intents

Bots Draft version English (US) Not built English (US) has not built changes. Build Test

Add empty intent

Create a custom intent for your bot.

Intent name: SearchRecipes

Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _

Cancel Add

Last edited: 3 minutes ago

CloudShell Feedback

Amazon Lex | us-east-1 CloudWatch | us-east-1

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot/CHL3QXZFVQ/locale/en_US/intent/14SHTYLUL5

aws Draft version English (US) Not built English (US) has not built changes. Build Test

Back to intents list (2)

SearchRecipes FallbackIntent

To generate utterances, you must have permissions to Amazon Bedrock. Amazon Lex will make calls to Amazon Bedrock. Additional charges may be incurred based on the usage of Amazon Bedrock. Learn more

Filter Sort by added (ascending)

Preview Plain text

1 I have {Ingredient}
2 Find recipes with {Ingredient}
3 Can you find a recipe with {Ingredient} and {Ingredient}
4 I want to cook with {Ingredient}
5 Do you have recipes for {Ingredient}
6 Show me recipes for {Ingredient} and {Ingredient}

Editor Visual builder New Save intent

CloudShell Feedback

Add blank slot type

Create a custom slot type for your bot.

Slot type name: CustomIngredientSlot

Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _

Cancel Add

Amazon Lex | us-east-1

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot=CHL3QXZFVQ/version/DRAFT/locale/en_US/intent/14SHTYLULS

aws Search [Alt+S] Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 United States (N. Virginia) recipe-developer

Amazon Lex Draft version English (US) Not built English (US) has not built changes. Build Test

Back to intents list (2)

Search Sort by last updated

SearchRecipes Unsaved FallbackIntent

Prompt for slot: Ingredient
Message: What ingredients do you have?
Slot type CustomingredientSlot

Required for this intent
The bot will prompt for this slot during the conversation if a value is not provided by the user.

Name Ingredient Slot type CustomingredientSlot

Prompts
What ingredients do you have?

You can use the advanced options setting to configure rich messages such as a custom payload, card groups, and SSML.
Advanced options

Editor Visual builder New Save intent

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Amazon Lex | us-east-1

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot=CHL3QXZFVQ/alias/TSTALIASID/locale/en_US/

aws Search [Alt+S] Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 United States (N. Virginia) recipe-developer

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Lex ... Bot: VoiceRecipeAssistant Aliases Alias: TestBotAlias Alias language support: English (US)

Aliases

English (US)

Intents

Slot types

Deployment

Aliases

Channel integrations

Analytics

Overview

Conversation dashboard

Conversation flows

Conversations

Performance dashboard

Intent performance

Utterance recognition

CloudWatch metrics

Lambda function - optional
This Lambda function is invoked for initialization, validation, and fulfillment.

Source: VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic

Lambda function version or alias: \$LATEST

Learn more about Lambda

Cancel Save

The screenshot displays two side-by-side browser windows of the Amazon Lex console.

Left Window (Top): This window shows the configuration of an intent named "SearchRecipes". The "Intent details" section indicates the intent is ready for complete testing. A message input field contains the text "Find recipes with paneer and tomato".

Right Window (Bottom): This window shows the configuration of a bot alias named "TSTALIASID". It includes sections for "Associated version" (set to "Draft version"), "Languages" (set to "English (US) - Successfully built"), and "Conversation logs" (disabled).

Common UI Elements:

- Header:** Shows the URL "us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot/CHL3QXZFVQ/version/DRAFT/locale/en_US/intent/14SHTYLUL5", Account ID: 6573-4390-4644, and location United States (N. Virginia).
- Search Bar:** Located at the top of both windows.
- Navigation:** Includes back, forward, and search buttons.
- Toolbar:** Includes "CloudShell", "Feedback", and other standard browser controls.
- Footer:** Displays copyright information (© 2025, Amazon Web Services, Inc. or its affiliates.) and links to Privacy, Terms, and Cookie preferences.

Amazon Lex | us-east-1

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot=CHL3QXZFVQ/version/DRAFT/locale/en_US/intent/14SHTYLUL5

aws Search [Alt+S] United States (N. Virginia) Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 recipe-developer

Amazon Lex

Back to intents list (2)

Search

Sort by last updated

SearchRecipes

FallbackIntent

Successfully built language English (US) in bot: VoiceRecipeAssistant

Lex > ... > Versions > Version: DRAFT > All languages > Language: English (U)

Draft version English (US) Successfully built

Intent: SearchRecipes [Info](#)

An intent represents an action that fulfills a user's request. Intents can have arguments containing information.

Conversation flow [Info](#)

Intent details [Info](#)

Intent name

Editor Visual builder New

Save intent

Find recipes with paneer and tomato

Success! I found 3 recipes using tomato. The top result is: Green Tomato Salad. You can see an image here:
<https://img.spoonacular.com/recipes/645555-312x231.jpg>

Ready for complete testing

Type a message

CloudShell Feedback

Search

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Create table | Amazon DynamoDB

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/dynamodbv2/home?region=us-east-1#create-table

aws Search [Alt+S] United States (N. Virginia) Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 recipe-developer

DynamoDB > Tables > Create table

Share your feedback on Amazon DynamoDB

Your feedback is an important part of helping us provide a better customer experience. Take this short survey to let us know how we're doing.

Share feedback

Create table

Table details [Info](#)

DynamoDB is a schemaless database that requires only a table name and a primary key when you create the table.

Table name

This will be used to identify your table.

VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users

Between 3 and 255 characters, containing only letters, numbers, underscores (_), hyphens (-), and periods (.)

Partition key

The partition key is part of the table's primary key. It is a hash value that is used to retrieve items from your table and allocate data across hosts for scalability and availability.

Userid String

1 to 255 characters and case sensitive.

Sort key - optional

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List tables | Amazon DynamoDB

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/dynamodbv2/home?region=us-east-1#tables

DynamoDB > Tables

The VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users table was created successfully.

Tables (1) Info

Find tables Any tag key Any tag value

Name	Status	Partition key	Sort key	Indexes	Replication Regions	Deletion protect
VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users	Active	Userid (\$)	-	0	0	Off

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VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/roles/details/VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr

IAM > Roles > VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr

Identity and Access Management (IAM)

Last activity 1 hour ago Maximum session duration 1 hour

Permissions Trust relationships Tags Last Accessed Revoke sessions

Permissions policies (1) Info

You can attach up to 10 managed policies.

Filter by Type

Policy name	Type	Attached entities
AWSLambdaBasicExecutionRo...	Customer managed	1

Permissions boundary (not set)

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Add Permissions | IAM | Global

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/roles/details/VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr/attach-policies

IAM > Roles > VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr > Add Permissions

Attach policy to VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr

Current permissions policies (1)

Other permissions policies (1/1077)

Filter by Type

Policy name	Type	Description
AmazonDynamoDBFullAccess	AWS managed	Provides full access to Amazon Dynam...
AmazonDynamoDBFullAccess_v2	AWS managed	Provides full access to Amazon Dynam...
AmazonDynamoDBFullAccesswithDataPipeline	AWS managed	This policy is on a deprecation path. Se...

Cancel Add permissions

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Create item | Amazon DynamoDB

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/dynamodbv2/home?region=us-east-1#edit-item?itemMode=1&route=ROUTE_ITEM_EXPLORER&table=Voice... Account ID: 6573-4390-4644

DynamoDB > Explore items: VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users > Create item

Create item

You can add, remove, or edit the attributes of an item. You can nest attributes inside other attributes up to 32 levels deep. [Learn more](#)

Attribute name	Value	Type	Remove
UserId - Partition key	test-user-001	String	
diet	vegetarian	String	Remove
allergies	Insert a field Value 0: gluten	List	Remove
	Value 1: peanuts	String	Remove

Add new attribute

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Items | Amazon DynamoDB

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/dynamodbv2/home?region=us-east-1#item-explorer?table=VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users Account ID: 6573-4390-4644

DynamoDB > Explore items > VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users

The item has been saved successfully.

VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users Autopreview View table details

Scan or query items

Scan Query

Select a table or index: Table - VoiceRecipeAssistant-Users

Select attribute projection: All attributes

Filters - optional

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Add blank slot type

Create a custom slot type for your bot.



Slot type name

DietTypeSlot

Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _

Cancel

Add

error

The screenshot shows the 'Slot type values' section for the 'DietTypeSlot'. It lists three values: 'vegetarian', 'vegan', and 'gluten free'. There is a 'Value' input field and an 'Add value' button at the bottom. A note at the bottom states: 'Maximum 140 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, @, #, \$'.

Save Slot type

The screenshot shows the 'Utterances' section for the 'UpdateProfile' intent. It displays a list of sample utterances:

- I am {piet}
- Set my diet to {Diet}
- I am allergic to {Allergy}
- Add {Allergy} to my allergies
- My diet is {Diet}
- My allergy is {Allergy}

Below the list are buttons for 'Editor', 'Visual builder', and 'New'. A note at the top states: 'Representative phrases that you expect a user to speak or type to invoke this intent. Amazon Lex extrapolates based on the sample utterances to interpret any user input that may vary from the samples. The priority order of the sample utterances is not used to determine intent classification output.'

Save intent

Add empty intent

Create a custom intent for your bot.

Intent name

UpdateProfile

Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _

Cancel

Add

The screenshot shows the 'Slots (2) - optional' section for the 'UpdateProfile' intent. It contains two slots: 'Prompt for slot: Diet' (Slot type: DietTypeSlot) and 'Prompt for slot: Allergy' (Slot type: CustomingredientSlot). The interface includes a 'Search' bar, a 'Sort by last updated' dropdown, and tabs for 'Editor' and 'Visual builder'.

The screenshot shows the 'Languages' section, where English (US) is selected. It also shows the 'Conversation logs' section, which is currently disabled. On the right, a test window displays a conversation between a user and the bot:

- User: Set my diet to vegan
- Bot: OK! I've updated your profile with your diet as vegan.
- User: I am allergic to gluten and peanuts
- Bot: OK! I've updated your profile with your diet as gluten and peanuts.

A message box at the bottom says "Ready for complete testing".

The screenshot shows the Amazon Lex console interface. On the left, the navigation menu includes sections like Bots, Bot templates, Networks of bots, VoiceRecipeAssistant, Bot versions, Deployment (Aliases, Channel integrations), and CloudShell. The main area displays a 'Languages (1)' section with English (US) selected. Below it is a 'Conversation logs' section which is currently disabled. A test window on the right shows a conversation history:

```
I am allergic to gluten and peanuts
OK! I've updated your profile with your diet as gluten and peanuts.
Find recipes with paneer and tomato
Success! I found 3 recipes using tomato (for your gluten and peanuts diet). The top result is: Green Tomato Salad. You can see an image
```

A message input field at the bottom says 'Type a message'.

A modal dialog titled 'Add empty intent' is open. It asks 'Create a custom intent for your bot.' Below is a 'Intent name' input field containing 'StartCooking'. A note below says 'Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _'. At the bottom are 'Cancel' and 'Add' buttons.

The screenshot shows the Amazon Lex console with the 'StartCooking' intent selected. The 'Sample utterances' section lists four utterances: 'start cooking', 'read the instructions', 'begin', and 'let's cook'. A note says 'To generate utterances, you must have permissions to Amazon Bedrock. Amazon Lex will make calls to Amazon Bedrock. Additional charges may be incurred based on the usage of Amazon Bedrock.' Buttons at the bottom include 'Editor', 'Visual builder', 'New', and 'Save intent'.

The screenshot shows the 'Fulfillment advanced options' configuration page for an intent named 'StartCooking'. It includes sections for 'Fulfillment Lambda code hook' (with a checked checkbox for 'Use a Lambda function for fulfillment') and 'Fulfillment updates' (with an active toggle switch). A message template for 'Tell the user fulfillment started' is shown. Buttons for 'Cancel' and 'Update options' are at the bottom.

Fulfillment advanced options

Fulfillment Lambda code hook

You can enable Lambda functions to initialize the conversation, validate user input, and execute fulfillment.

Use a Lambda function for fulfillment

You can use AWS Lambda to fulfill your intent. The Lambda function is invoked after slot elicitation and confirmation. Use this function to fulfill your intent.

Fulfillment updates Info Active

You can configure the Lambda function to execute in the background. You can set the messages sent at the start and during fulfillment.

▶ Tell the user fulfillment started

Message: -

Cancel **Update options**

The dialog box is titled 'Add empty intent' and says 'Create a custom intent for your bot.' It has a text input field containing 'NextStep' and a note below it stating 'Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _'. Buttons for 'Cancel' and 'Add' are at the bottom.

Add empty intent

Create a custom intent for your bot.

Intent name

NextStep

Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _

Cancel **Add**

The screenshot shows the 'Sample utterances' configuration page for the 'NextStep' intent. It lists four sample utterances: 'next step', 'what's next', 'next', and 'continue'. A note states that generating utterances requires permissions to Amazon Bedrock. Buttons for 'Editor', 'Visual builder', and 'New' are at the bottom.

Sample utterances (4) Info

To generate utterances, you must have permissions to Amazon Bedrock. Amazon Lex will make calls to Amazon Bedrock. Additional charges may be incurred based on the usage of Amazon Bedrock. [Learn more](#)

Filter Sort by added (ascending)

Preview Plain text

1 next step
2 what's next
3 next
4 continue

Editor **Visual builder** **New** **Save intent**

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Add empty intent

Create a custom intent for your bot.



Intent name

GetNutrition

Maximum 100 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, -, _

Cancel

Add

The screenshot shows the AWS Lambda console interface. The left sidebar lists 'Amazon Lex' under 'Bots'. The main panel displays the configuration for the 'VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic' function. It shows the language is set to 'English (US)' and the status is 'Successfully built'. The 'Conversation logs' section indicates that conversation logs are disabled. The 'Tags' section shows 0 tags. At the bottom right, there is a message box with a success message: 'Success! I found 3 valid recipes (for your vegan diet) (avoiding dairy,eggs). The top result is: Roasted Broccoli with Lemon and Garlic. You can ask me to 'start cooking''. Below this, a 'Ready for complete testing' message is displayed with a 'Type a message' input field. The browser address bar shows the URL: us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot/CHL3QXZFVQ/alias/TSTALIASID.

find recipes with paneer

Sorry, I couldn't find any recipes matching paneer (for your vegan diet) (avoiding dairy,eggs) after filtering.

Ready for complete testing

Type a message

Amazon Lex | us-east-1

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/lexv2/home?region=us-east-1#bot=CHL3QXZFVQ/locale/en_US/intent/4UDPCQ1SPU

aws Search [Alt+S] Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 United States (N. Virginia) recipe-developer

Amazon Lex Draft version English (US) Successfully built English (US) has not built changes. Build Test

Back to intents list (6)

Search Sort by last updated

GetNutrition Unsaved

StartCooking

NextStep

UpdateProfile

SearchRecipes

FallbackIntent

Filter Sort by added (ascending)

Preview Plain text

What are the nutritional facts?

Show nutrition

How many calories?

Get nutrition info

Nutrition

Editor Visual builder New Save intent

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Search ENG IN 09:18 28-10-2025

Amazon Lex | us-east-1 Add Permissions | IAM | Global

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/roles/details/VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr/attach-policies

aws Search [Alt+S] Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 recipe-developer

IAM > Roles > VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr > Add Permissions

Attach policy to VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr

Current permissions policies (2)

Other permissions policies (1/1076)

Filter by Type

polly All types 2 matches

Policy name Type Description

AmazonPollyFullAccess AWS managed Grants full access to Amazon Polly ser...

AmazonPollyReadOnlyAccess AWS managed Grants read-only access to Amazon Po...

Cancel Add permissions

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Amazon Lex | us-east-1 VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-rci (20) Messaging | LinkedIn - X

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/roles/details/VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr?section=permissions

aws Search [Alt+S] Global Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 recipe-developer

IAM > Roles > VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr

Identity and Access Management (IAM)

Policy was successfully attached to role.

VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr Info

Summary

Creation date: October 27, 2025, 13:41 (UTC+05:30)

Last activity: 9 hours ago

ARN: arn:aws:iam::657343904644:role/service-role/VoiceRecipeAssistant-Logic-role-glp9tcsr

Maximum session duration: 1 hour

Permissions Trust relationships Tags Last Accessed Revoke sessions

Permissions policies (3) Info

You can attach up to 10 managed policies.

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Find recipes with chicken and broccoli

Success! Found 1 recipe(s). Top result: Roasted Broccoli with Lemon and Garlic. Ask 'start cooking' or 'get nutrition'.

Get nutrition info

Here are the approximate nutritional facts for Roasted Broccoli with Lemon and Garlic (per serving): Calories: 58, Protein: 3g, Fat: 2g, Carbs: 8g.

start cooking

<speak>OK, let's cook Roasted Broccoli with Lemon and Garlic. <break time="500ms"/> Step 1: Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. In a large bowl, add broccoli florets, olive oil, salt, pepper and garlic. <break time="1s"/> Sav

Ready for complete testing

Type a message

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next step

<speak>Step 2: Spread the broccoli out in an even layer on a baking sheet. <break time="1s"/> Say 'next'.</speak>

next step

<speak>Step 3: Bake in the preheated oven until broccoli is tender enough to pierce the stems with a fork, 15 to 20 minutes. <break time="1s"/> Say

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next

<speak>Step 4: Remove and place in a bowl, toss with lemon juice. <break time="1s"/> Say 'next'.</speak>

next

<speak>You're all done! Enjoy.</speak>

Set my diet to vegetarian

Ready for complete testing

 Type a message

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Find recipes with tofu and broccoli

Success! Found 1 recipe(s) (for vegetarian). Top result: Japanese Clear Soup. Ask 'start cooking' or 'get nutrition'.

Show nutrition

Here are the approximate nutritional facts for Japanese Clear Soup (per serving):
Calories: 200 Protein: 15g Fat:

Ready for complete testing

 Type a message

Ready for complete testing

 Type a message

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<speak>OK, let's cook Japanese Clear Soup. <break time="500ms"/> Step 1: In a large saucepan bring chicken stock to a boil. Stir in sherry and soy sauce. Reduce heat and simmer several minutes. <break time="1s"/> Say 'next'.</speak>

next step

<speak>You're all done! Enjoy.</speak>

Ready for complete testing

Ready for complete testing

 Type a message

Amazon Lex | us-east-1 | Create stack | CloudFormation | Create identity pool > Identity | Voice Recipe Assistant Demo | - | X

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/cognito/v2/identity/identity-pools/create?region=us-east-1

aws Search [Alt+S] United States (N. Virginia) Account ID: 6573-4390-4644 recipe-developer

Amazon Cognito > Identity pools > Create identity pool

Step 1 Configure identity pool trust Step 2 Configure permissions Step 3 Configure properties Step 4 Review and create

Configure identity pool trust Info

Authentication

Choose the sources that your identity pool trusts to generate identities and issue credentials.

User access Info

Configure your identity pool to generate credentials for users authenticated by third parties, and optionally, unauthenticated guests.

Authenticated access
Issue credentials to authenticated users from trusted identity providers.

Guest access
Issue guest-access credentials to anyone with internet access. Use guest access with AWS resources such as public APIs and graphics assets.

⚠ An identity pool with guest access distributes AWS credentials that authorize access to resources in your AWS account. Your IAM policy for guest users must permit access only to resources that you want to be available to anyone on the internet. [Learn more](#)

Cancel **Next**

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Guest role Info

Configure the default IAM role that your anonymous guest users will assume through your identity pool.

IAM role

Choose a role in your account, or have Amazon Cognito create a new one for you.

Create a new IAM role
Create an IAM role with basic permissions and a trust relationship with your identity pool.

Use an existing IAM role
Choose a role in your account that you have configured to trust cognito-identity.amazonaws.com.

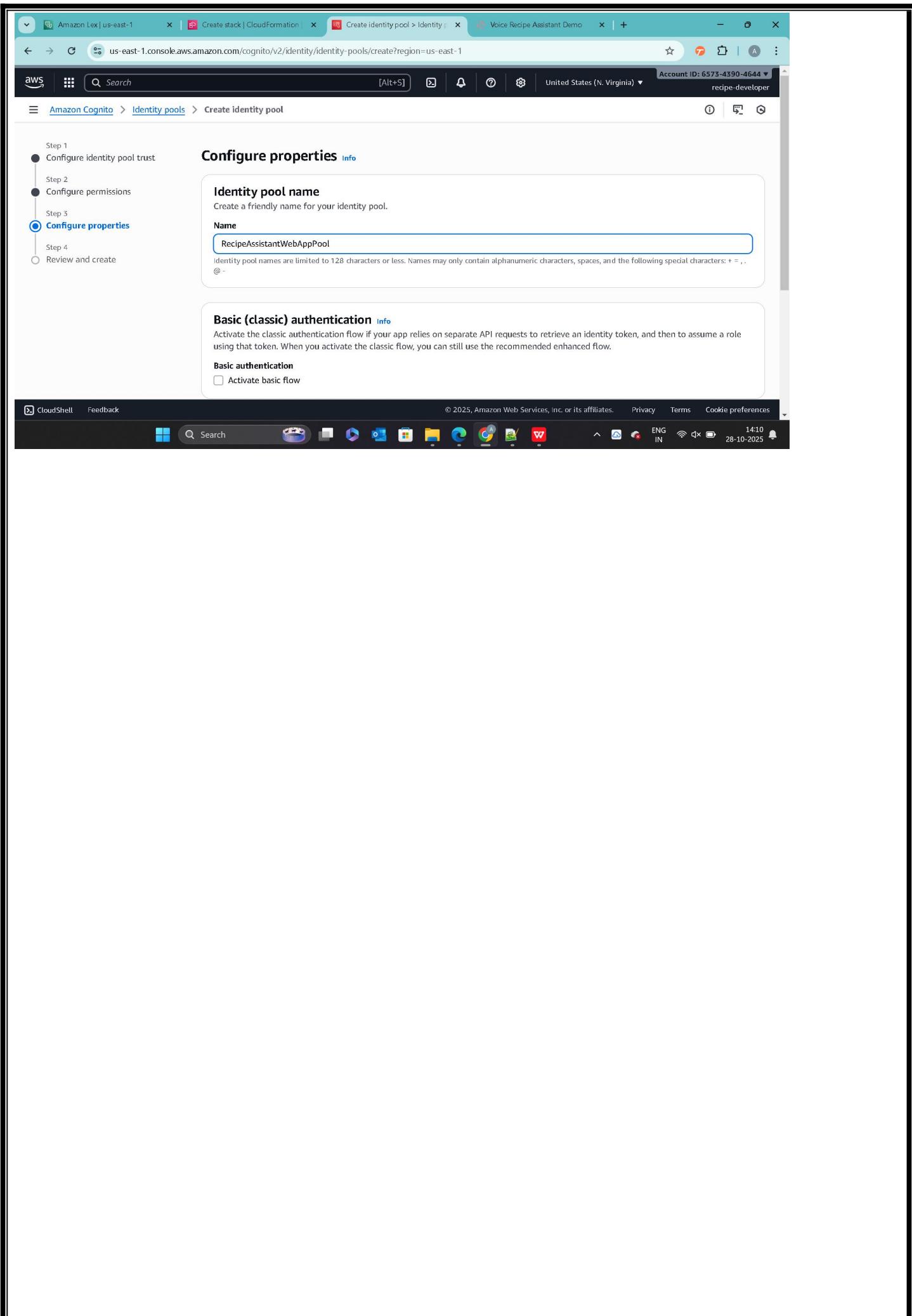
IAM role name
Enter a name for your new IAM role.

Role names may be up to 64 characters long and can use alphanumeric characters, as well as the following special characters: +-, @_

ⓘ You're creating an IAM role with initial minimum permissions and a trust relationship with your identity pool. After you create your identity pool, add permissions in the IAM console.

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Step 1 Specify permissions Step 2 Review and create

Specify permissions Info

Add permissions by selecting services, actions, resources, and conditions. Build permission statements using the JSON editor.

Policy editor

```
1 "version": "2012-10-17",
2 "statement": [
3     {
4         "sid": "LexWebAppRuntimeAccess",
5         "Effect": "Allow",
6         "Action": "lex:RecognizeText",
7         "Resource": "arn:aws:lex:us-east-1:657343904644:bot-alias/CHL3QZFVQ/TSTAI"
8     }
9 ]
10
11
```

Edit statement

Select a statement

Select an existing statement in the policy or add a new statement.

+ Add new statement

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Amazon Lex | us-east-1 | Create stack | CloudFormation | Create policy | IAM | Global | Voice Recipe Assistant Demo | us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/roles/details/Cognito_GuestRole/createPolicy | recipe-developer

Step 1 Specify permissions Step 2 Review and create

Review and create Info

Review the permissions, specify details, and tags.

Policy details

Policy name
Enter a meaningful name to identify this policy.

Maximum 128 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+,-,_-' characters.

Permissions defined in this policy Info

Permissions defined in this policy document specify which actions are allowed or denied. To define permissions for an IAM identity (user, user group, or role), attach a policy to it

Search

Allow (1 of 450 services)

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The screenshot shows the AWS S3 console with a green success message at the top: "Successfully created bucket 'srinithyaccprojectdemo'". Below it, there's a table for "General purpose buckets (1)" containing one row for "srinithyaccprojectdemo". The table includes columns for Name, AWS Region, and Creation date. The bucket was created on October 28, 2025, at 14:33:36 (UTC+05:30) in US East (N. Virginia). To the right of the table are two boxes: "Account snapshot" (updated daily) and "External access summary - new" (updated daily). The "External access summary" box notes that external access findings help identify bucket permissions allowing public access or access from other AWS accounts.

General purpose buckets (1) [Info](#)

[Copy ARN](#) [Empty](#) [Delete](#) [Create bucket](#)

Buckets are containers for data stored in S3.

Find buckets by name

Name	AWS Region	Creation date
srinithyaccprojectdemo	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1	October 28, 2025, 14:33:36 (UTC+05:30)

▶ Account snapshot [Info](#)
Updated daily [View dashboard](#)
Storage Lens provides visibility into storage usage and activity trends.

▶ External access summary - new [Info](#)
Updated daily
External access findings help you identify bucket permissions that allow public access or access from other AWS accounts.

Amazon Lex | us-east-1 | Create stack | CloudFormation | Upload objects - S3 bucket sri... -

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/s3/upload/srinithyaccprojectdemo?region=us-east-1&bucketType=general

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Amazon S3 > Buckets > srinithyaccprojectdemo > Upload

Drag and drop files and folders you want to upload here, or choose Add files or Add folder.

Files and folders (1 total, 9.8 KB)

All files and folders in this table will be uploaded.

	Name	Folder	Type	Size
<input type="checkbox"/>	recipe_demo.html	-	text/html	9.8 KB

Remove Add files Add folder

Destination [Info](#)

Destination <s3://srinithyaccprojectdemo>

▶ Destination details

Bucket settings that impact new objects stored in the specified destination.

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Amazon Lex | us-east-1 | Create stack | CloudFormation | Edit static website hosting - S3 | +

us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/s3/bucket/srinithyaccprojectdemo/property/website/edit?region=us-east-1&bucketType=general

Amazon S3 > Buckets > srinithyaccprojectdemo > Edit static website hosting

Edit static website hosting [Info](#)

Static website hosting

Use this bucket to host a website or redirect requests. [Learn more](#)

Static website hosting

Disable

Enable

Hosting type

Host a static website

Use the bucket endpoint as the web address. [Learn more](#)

Redirect requests for an object

Redirect requests to another bucket or domain. [Learn more](#)

Index document

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```

1  {
2      "Version": "2012-10-17",
3      "Statement": [
4          {
5              "Sid": "PublicReadGetObject",
6              "Effect": "Allow",
7              "Principal": "*",
8              "Action": "s3:GetObject",
9              "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::srinithyaccprojectdemo/*"
10         }
11     ]
12 }

```

Policy editor

Modify permissions in LexWebAppRuntimePolicy

```

1  {
2      "Version": "2012-10-17",
3      "Statement": [
4          {
5              "Sid": "LexWebAppRuntimeAccess",
6              "Effect": "Allow",
7              "Action": "lex:RecognizeText",
8              "Resource": "arn:aws:lex:us-east-1:657343904644:bot-alias:CHL3QXZFVQ/TSTALIASID"
9          },
10         {
11             "Sid": "PollyWebAppSynthesizesSpeech",
12             "Effect": "Allow",
13             "Action": "polly:Synthesizespeech",
14             "Resource": "*"
15         }
16     ]
17 }

```

6. Working Applications & Features

Core Project Features

Natural Language Conversation: Users can type requests in plain English (e.g., "what can I make with chicken" or "get me a pasta recipe") instead of clicking buttons.

Real-Time Voice Feedback: Every bot response is automatically converted to speech, making it a true "voice" assistant and ideal for hands-free kitchen use.

Dynamic Recipe Search: Connects to the Spoonacular API to search a database of over 300,000+ recipes. The app is not limited to a static or hard-coded list.

Rich Content Display: The interface displays not just text but also relevant recipe images, making the experience more engaging.

Fully Serverless & Scalable: The entire architecture runs without any dedicated servers. It can handle one user or one million users without any code changes and only incurs costs based on actual usage.

Working Applications (Use Cases)

Hands-Free Kitchen Companion: The primary use case. A user can be cooking and ask for the next step, a measurement conversion, or an ingredient substitution without having to stop and wash their hands to touch a screen.

Recipe Discovery & Meal Planning: Helps users find new recipes based on ingredients they already have ("What can I make with beef and broccoli?") or based on dietary needs.

Accessibility Tool: The strong voice-first design makes this an excellent tool for users with visual impairments, allowing them to browse and follow recipes audibly.

Dietary & Allergy Management: The Lambda function can be easily modified to include Spoonacular's powerful filters for dietary restrictions (e.g., diet=vegan, intolerances=gluten).

Educational Cooking Tool: The assistant can be used to teach cooking basics, explain complex culinary terms, or provide step-by-step guidance.

6. Conclusion & Future Scope

Conclusion

This project successfully demonstrates the power of "stitching together" multiple managed services to create a complex, intelligent, and feature-rich application. By integrating Amazon Lex for conversational AI, Amazon Polly for voice, AWS Lambda for logic, and the Spoonacular API for data, we built a "Voice Recipe Assistant" that is both highly functional and user-friendly.

The serverless architecture proves to be the ideal model for this type of application, offering immense scalability, low operational overhead, and a cost-effective pay-per-use model. This project highlights that the future of application development lies not just in writing code, but in intelligently connecting powerful, pre-built services.

7. Future Scope

The platform is built on a foundation that is perfect for expansion. Future improvements could include:

Full Voice-to-Voice: Integrating Amazon Transcribe to convert the user's spoken words into text. This would complete the loop (Speech-to-Text -> Lex -> Lambda -> Polly -> Text-to-Speech) for a truly hands-free experience.

User Profiles & Favorites: Using Amazon DynamoDB (a NoSQL database) to store user profiles, allowing them to save their favorite recipes or set permanent dietary preferences.

Step-by-Step Cooking Mode: Enhancing the Lex bot and Lambda function to guide a user through a recipe one step at a time, waiting for a "next step" command from the user.

Advanced Spoonacular Integration: Expanding the Lambda function to use more of the Spoonacular API's features, such as finding recipes by nutritional content (e.g., "find a high-protein breakfast"), substituting ingredients, or pairing wine with a dish.

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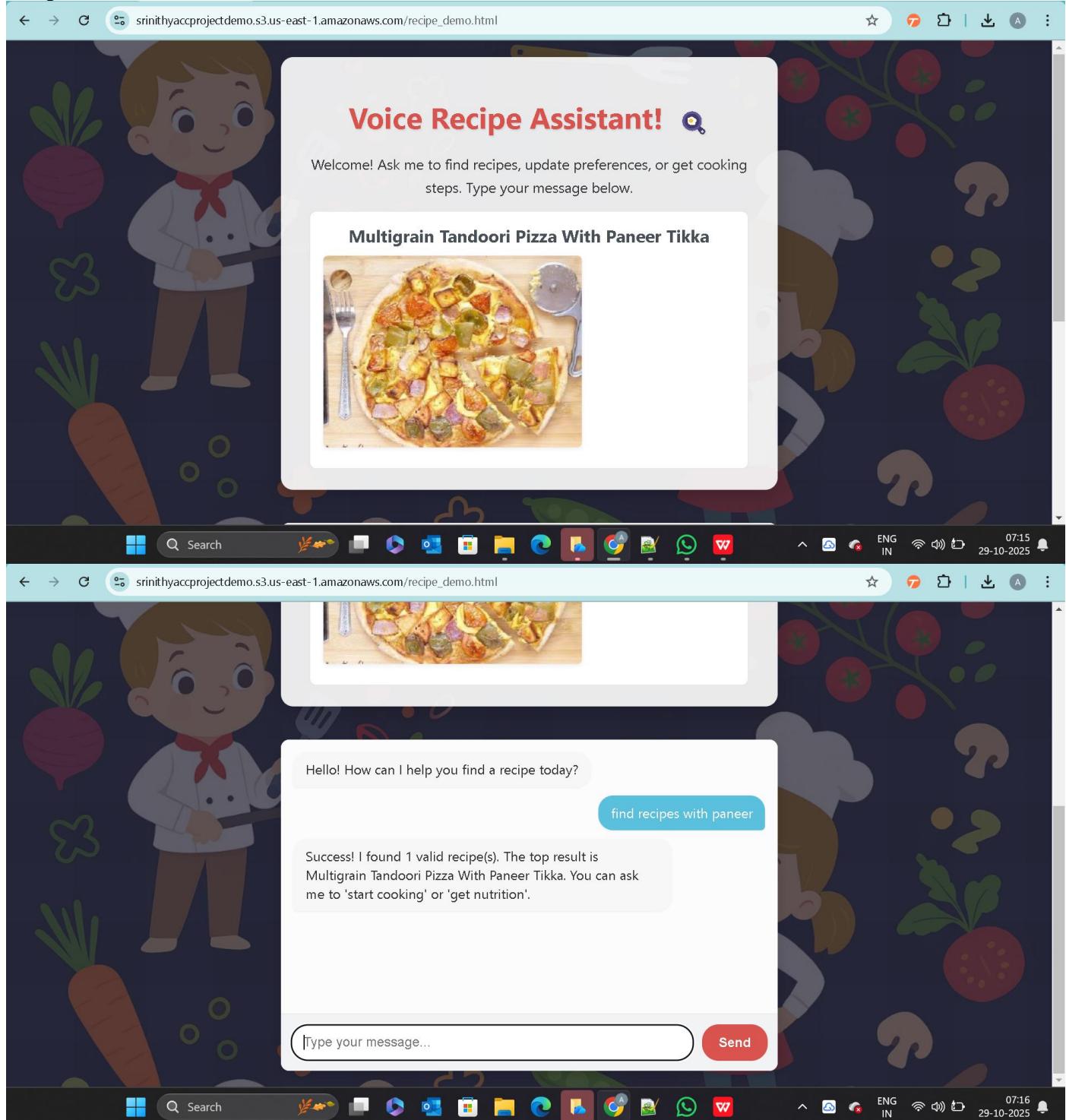
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Output website:



The screenshot shows two instances of a web browser displaying a cooking-themed chat interface. The background features a cartoon chef and various vegetables like carrots, tomatoes, and mushrooms.

Top Browser Window:

- Title Bar:** srinithyaccprojectdemo.s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/recipe_demo.html
- Content Area:** A white card with a red header "Voice Recipe Assistant! 🔎". Below it is a welcome message: "Welcome! Ask me to find recipes, update preferences, or get cooking steps. Type your message below." A thumbnail image of a "Multigrain Tandoori Pizza With Paneer Tikka" is shown.
- Bottom Bar:** Windows taskbar with various pinned icons and system status indicators.

Bottom Browser Window:

- Title Bar:** srinithyaccprojectdemo.s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/recipe_demo.html
- Content Area:** A white card with a red header "Hello! How can I help you find a recipe today?". It includes a blue button labeled "find recipes with paneer". Below it is a message: "Success! I found 1 valid recipe(s). The top result is Multigrain Tandoori Pizza With Paneer Tikka. You can ask me to 'start cooking' or 'get nutrition'."
- Input Area:** A text input field with placeholder "Type your message..." and a red "Send" button.
- Bottom Bar:** Windows taskbar with various pinned icons and system status indicators.