# SPICE OF LIFE

**ITWS 1100: FINAL PROJECT** 

Section 1 - Team 3

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### OVERVIEW

Team
Intro





Mission Harket Project Planning



Conclusions, Challenges, Future Plans



### TEAM INTRO



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### QUICK POLL!

How many of you have a hard time figuring out what you need to cook?



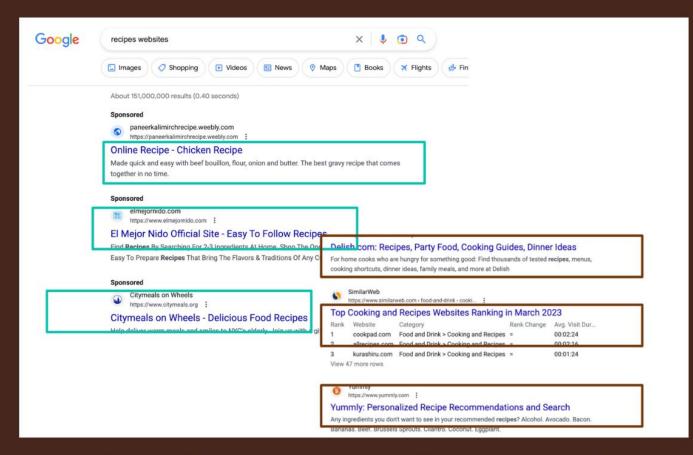


### Introducing...



Easy and quick, meals that do the trick!





#### Lots of websites -> which to choose?

# According to recent surveys...



56%

utilize/have a need for a cooking website 69%

want to
find
recipes to
save time

**67%** 

were tired of using the same recipes - wanted something new

### Our Idea

- <u>Purpose</u>: create a web application that holds a variety of cooking recipes that tailor to:
  - College students
  - Busy parents
    - Though there are many more, these are our areas of focus
    - Our website is one that has all of these categories as a whole, while others may have them separately. Having them together boosts efficiency and is more feasible.



### Our Main Personas



 no time to decide what to cook

MAX



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### Mission & Market

- to <u>inspire and empower people</u> to explore the **joy** of **cooking** and **eating** delicious, **wholesome** meals at home.
- we strive to provide high-quality, accessible, and diverse recipes, cooking tips, and nutritional information that cater to the needs and interests of people of all ages, backgrounds, and levels of experience.



### Areas of Focus

- Main Areas:
  - Area 1: HTML, CSS, and graphics for page layout and design
  - o Area 4: Pull data from a database
- Also Utilized:
  - Area 2: Javascript interactivity to improve user experience (e.g. from simple to more complex: mouse hovers, form validation, hide/show, auto-completion, drag and drop, etc)

### Mockup









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Recipe of the Day College Corner Parents' Place Allergy-Friendly Reviews

#### College Corner







Each of the circles (maybe we'll add 3-5) will link to the college student specific recipe

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### Features

- Users can:
  - search for recipes using search bar
    - top 3 show up
  - provide feedback on form







# Let's show you how it works!





### Future Plans

- Adding drop down for each section so user can search by whatever criteria they want
  - Type of food, Number of Ingredients, Time it takes to make
  - Drawback: payment required for EDAMAM'S API
- Quality of Life and other fixes
- Improving the formatting of the page
  - Fixing dead links

### Challenges

#### • Scale of the project?

- Initially, we talked about having all these feature (searching by allergy, a place for parents, etc.)
- However, as the reality of time set in, we started to realize that we need to scale
   it down a bit
- Focused on the features that really mattered (Basic Recipe Search, Simple UI)

#### Where do we get this data from?

- We started our search for recipe data early on.
- This took a bit as we had to look the documentation for each one
- EDAMAM was not perfect, but it has the features we needed
- Even still, with their free plan we got emails about hitting their usage limit

### Conclusions

- We were able to **enhance** all the things that we have done in class through the labs
  - Allowed us to see how all the different pieces connect to become one product
- We were able to overcome most of our challenges, typically with a bit of thought and google searching
- PHP is a very useful tool to making websites
- Overall, a good experience and very useful for real world applications

# Thank you for listening!

## Any questions?

