



Eat Your Words Cookbook Club

Choose a cookbook from the Library's collection that fits the monthly theme.

Prepare a dish from the cookbook.

Use the following guidelines to complete a review card for the book.

Bring samples of a dish from the cookbook to the book club.

Read the Cookbook Cover to Cover

1. Does the cookbook tell a story? Does the author share stories about the origins of the recipes?
2. What attracted you to the book-the cover, the title, the photography, the theme?

Chapters and the Cookbook's Organization

1. How are the recipes organized-by ingredients, seasons, courses (appetizers, main courses, etc)?
2. Does the book contain a glossary? Are the Table of Contents and Index well structured?

The Recipes

1. Are the ingredients and cooking instructions well organized and easy to follow?
2. Are the ingredients listed in the order they are used in the cooking instructions?
3. Are any of the ingredients difficult to find? Are there descriptions of any unusual ingredients used?

Techniques

1. Are techniques such as chopping, frying and baking well defined?
2. Does the cookbook contain any step-by-step instructions describing cooking techniques?

Photos

1. Are there enticing photos in the book?

Sampling

1. Did the dish you prepared look like the photo in the book (if applicable)?
2. How did the dish taste?