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# Teaching Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Basic Cooking Skills: A Single Case Research

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## Abstract

Seven adults between the ages 27 and 65 with Developmental Disabilities (DD) (Intellectual Disability-ID, Down syndrome- DS, Autism Spectrum Disorder-ASD-with ID) were selected to be taught basic cooking skills, such as material identification, measuring, mixing, and sequencing when making bread. The purpose of this qualitative study is to investigate the efficacy of an intervention program that combined a natural pattern, a visual recipe, a task analysis, modeling, indication, feedback and reinforcement as well as the ability of individuals with DD to preserve and retrieve the recipe details when visual and verbal assistance is withdrawn. A quasi-experimental baseline design was implemented to show the acquisition of cooking skills through conditions of baseline, training and probe/evaluation. The results indicated that each participant acquired the targeted skills, and was able to complete the task independently. A social validity measure affirmed these improvements in their cooking skills. Aside from the obvious benefits of being able to cook, these skills can be an important aspect of self-sufficiency.

**Keywords:** Cooking skills; Developmental Disabilities; Efficiency; Intervention program; Retrieving recipe details

## Introduction

Functional living skills are crucial for people with DD and their engagement in the community and encompass a variety of skills including social, vocational, behavior management, and academic skills [1]. Cronin [2] defined functional life skills as ‘those skills that contribute to the successful, independent functioning of an individual in adulthood’ (p. 54). These skills are broadly classified into five categories: self-care and domestic living, recreation and leisure, communication and social skills, vocational skills, and other skills necessary for community participation (e.g., postsecondary education) [3, 4].

The term “Developmental Disabilities” is a broader category of often-lifelong disability that can be intellectual, physical, or both.

Examples of DD include ID, ASD, DS, cerebral palsy, behavioral difficulties, brain injury and spina bifida [5]. In this study, we focus on ID, DS, and ASD. ID is a developmental condition characterized by a decreased level of intellectual functioning and a reduced ability to adapt to daily life and social environments [6]. It is widely acknowledged that students with ID are a distinct group and that each student with ID has unique educational needs [7]. Supports, such as visual images [8, 9], innovative augmented-reality games [10], and strategies, such as video modeling and video prompting, can have positive effects on individuals with ID [11] as far as the teaching skills (e.g., daily living, employment, leisure, and academic skills) are concerned.

One of the most common genetic disorders that causes ID is DS [12, 13]. Infants with DS are the most well-studied population with ID [14]. Individuals with DS have varying levels of ID, ranging from severe to limited mental function [13], with

the majority having moderate to severe ID [15]. Individuals with DS learn in a different way throughout their lives. Usually, their performance improves when they receive feedback [16], choose individualized teaching [17] or when visual information is provided [18, 19]. Strategies, such as project analysis, routine practice, and learning motivation, provide the individual with many opportunities to generalize learning concepts and behaviors [20]. When the teacher's instructions are clear and understandable, the behavior to be demonstrated during the course of learning becomes clearer [21]. Good approaches include play, systematic instruction, repetition of concepts and abilities, automation [22], and the use of visuals [23].

ASD is a group of lifelong neurodevelopmental conditions that affect one out of every 100 children worldwide [24]. Individuals with ASD have various difficulties in social functioning, such as stereotypical gestures, difficulty with eye contact, limited emotional and social reciprocity, and inability to comprehend facial expressions and body language; additionally, aggressive behavior is not uncommon [5]. Co-occurring conditions in children on the autism spectrum include anxiety disorders, ID, and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) [25]. Learners with ASD and ID require considerable instructional support and adaptations. Technology may assist in the learning process for persons with ASD and ID [26]. Students with ASD and ID benefit from task analysis and graphs [27] as well as Applied Behavior Analysis interventions [28].

Many people with DD have difficulties in functional living skills, such as self-care, cooking, cleaning, and managing personal finances, which limit their ability to live independently. These limitations have an impact on outcomes throughout the individual's life span, necessitating additional support from family and agencies as they progress through their lives. Moreover, any failure to teach such skills can result in negative outcomes, such as low self-esteem, learned helplessness, and lower quality of life [29].

Meal preparation or cooking has been identified as an especially important skill for independent daily living [30, 31, 32]. According to some researchers, there is no clear and consistent definition of cooking skills [33, 34]. However, Hartmann et al. [35] argue that cooking skills are 'the ability to prepare different foods' (p. 129), whereas Stead et al. [36] argue that cooking includes other aspects, such as meal planning and budgeting, in addition to the meal preparation. Fordyce-Voorham [37] even uses the term 'cooking skills' not only for meal preparation but also for meal planning. Cooking can give individuals valuable exposure to a range of academic and functional skills, including choice-making, self-determination, and other abilities necessary for independent living. These skills include reading, budgeting, shopping and food purchasing, item identification, measurement, and sequencing [31,

38]. Aside from the obvious advantages of being able to prepare one's own meals, this skill can be an important aspect of self-sufficiency, because food service jobs were the most common work-study jobs for secondary students with disabilities [39]. Thus, the emphasis of the curriculum for students with DD should be on functional and practical skills, resulting in the greatest possible levels of independence and self-reliance.

Researchers, educators, and healthcare professionals continue to face a crucial challenge in identifying effective educational programs designed to help people with DD acquire functional living skills. Society has been investigating efficient and effective training programs for individuals with DD. With regard to teaching autonomous completion of multistep tasks to individuals with disabilities, video modeling has been proven to be particularly effective [31, 40-43], especially in regard to food preparation skills [44-47]. Video prompting, on the other hand, is an instructional method that involves showing each step in a skill sequence on video, followed by task engagement with that specific step [48], and leads to the acquisition and maintenance of various independent living skills [49, 50]. Video-based instruction is an effective instructional technology that has been linked to improvements in a variety of skills, including cognitive ability, social skills and communication, and academic, daily living, and vocational skills [29]. Furthermore, it provides participants with an appropriate model as well as a set of behaviors or skills and enables them to observe and concentrate on the desired behaviors/skills.

Photographs and line drawings are two of the most commonly used visual supports [51, 52]. Photographs or illustrated pictures are relatively simple to make and are frequently used to teach or prompt people with ASD or other DD to complete complex or multistep skill sequences. Photographed and/or illustrated task analyses, for example, have been used successfully to teach food preparation skills [53, 54], vocational skills [55], daily living skills [56], and community skills [57, 58]. Several strategies (prompting, modeling, reinforcement, shaping, and chaining) and interventions (video modeling, behavioral in vivo procedures, visual cues and audio cueing) have been shown to be effective in teaching daily living skills to people with ASD [59].

Therefore, comprehensive, extensive, and effective programs are needed to develop all the skills required in adult life [60, 61]. The purpose of this study was to investigate, whether an individual with DD could learn essential cooking skills like item identification, measuring, mixing, and sequencing when making bread in the context of an intervention program, and whether it was possible to preserve and retrieve the recipe details when visual and verbal assistance was withdrawn. In an effort to determine the efficacy of the intervention for achieving this purpose, we propose the following research questions:

1. Does an intervention cooking program improve essential skills, such as item identification, measuring, mixing and sequencing, in individuals with DD?
2. Is an intervention cooking program an effective strategy of cooking skill acquisition for individuals with DD?

## Research Methodology

### Participants

Seven adults aged 27 to 65 years with ID and ADS with ID from a residential facility in the Thessaly region of Greece participated in this study. Prior to intervention, the participants' mental capacity and functionality was assessed by the residential facility's psychologist using the Wechsler Intelligence Scales (WISC-III). All participants had ID. Three of them had also DS, and one of them ASD. All participants were selected because they could understand what they listen to and see, follow instructions, and ask and answer short questions, in order to complete the task. Participants' vision and hearing were within the typical range. None of them could read. There were no fine or gross motor issues among the participants.

NAMES	AGES	DIAGNOSIS	WISC-III
GEORGE	45	Moderate ID	53
ANTONIS	33	Down Syndrome and Severe ID	34
BARBARA	41	Down Syndrome and Moderate ID	53
IOULIA	38	Down Syndrome and Severe ID	35
MARINA	61	Severe ID	34
SOTIRIS	65	Severe ID	30
VICTORIA	36	ASD with severe ID	37

**Table 1:** The age and mental score of each adult.

### Ethical considerations

The first author requested the permission of the director/president of the residential facility to conduct this study. Furthermore, the names of the participants have been changed to conceal their identities.

### Functional definitions

The steps were defined as:

**Correct step/response to the execution of a step with indication:** When a participant did not complete a step, despite having followed the natural pattern or the visual recipe, the researcher gave verbal instructions and modeled the step by showing the participant what to do.

**Correct step/response to the execution of a step without indication:** When a participant completed a step correctly, the researcher did not provide guidance.

**Wrong step/response to the execution of a step:** A step of the task analysis was not completed correctly by the participant.

### Procedure

Each training session was held in a quiet room with a table. A video camera was set up on a tripod in one corner of the room. The participants entered the room and were standing around the table. They are required to wear aprons and wash their hands. On the table were the materials, which were seven bowls, a pot of water, flour, yeast, salt, seven cups, seven spoons, seven pans. The camera began to record and the researcher gave the prompt 'Let's cook bread'. Sessions during the training stage were approximately 45 minutes. During the training a researcher demonstrated how to cook bread. A task analysis procedure was used. During the first two phases, the researcher used modeling to perform a complete chain of steps by showing each material, the quantities to be used, and the way they should be used, while the participants imitated each step. When a participant did not make the step correctly, the main researcher provided guidance (indication) by giving verbal instructions and modeling the step, thus showing the participant what to do. A visual recipe with pictures of thirteen steps instead of a natural pattern was provided during the last two phases. As the participants could not read, the visual recipe with pictures was preferred. Again, when a participant did not make the step correctly, the main researcher provided guidance (indication) by giving verbal instructions and modeling the step, and showing the participant what to do. Each participant was required to complete all thirteen steps of the task analysis in the right order. The session concluded when the participants completed all thirteen steps of task analysis. The data were collected over a five-week period.

### Experimental sessions

In an applied behavior analysis program, the researcher must clearly specify the behaviors to be observed so that they can be observed, assessed, and agreed upon by those evaluating the program's performance and execution. The baseline condition refers to the rate at which the researcher evaluates the desired behavior prior to training. In other words, the measurement of the dependent variable before the start of the intervention is saved in the database. The most important goal of this type of program is to alter behavior. Behavior during the subsequent probe should be compared with the behavior in the baseline condition [62]. Such programs are frequently implemented, especially when the aim of a study is to change a behavior through training [8, 9].

In the three baseline conditions (lasting one week) the materials were on the table. The participants were informed that they would be taught to make bread. The participants were given

the instruction to make bread. At this point, no aid or supportive effect was provided regarding the desired behavior. The researcher waited to see if any of the participants could cook bread. The intervention began when it became apparent that the participants' performance was constantly zero.

The three-week training was divided into four phases (Phase 1, 2, 3 and 4). The recipe was divided into thirteen steps. Cooking was designed using the constructivism learning theory, which advocated for skill acquisition through a step-by-step process [63, 64]. During the first two phases of training (Phase 1 and 2) the researcher modeled all the steps one by one by showing each material, the quantities to be used, and the way they should be used. With modeling the researcher provided a visual example of what the participants would be expected to do [65]. The breakdown of complex or multi-step skills into smaller, easier-to-learn sub-tasks is known as task analysis. The steps are then sequenced in the order in which they occur naturally [66]. Tan, Hughes, and Toogood [67] demonstrated that task analysis increases children's with DD engagement in learning processes. During the last two phases of training (Phase 3 and 4) a visual recipe (instead of a natural pattern) with thirteen steps was provided. Prompt feedback was given (verbal instructions and modeling the step in order to show the participant the exact steps that he/she should follow) in the case of an incorrect step and reinforcement offered when a correct step was supplied. Finally, a probe-evaluation took place. Table 2 indicates the thirteen steps of the recipe which the participants were taught.

1	Cup of flour is poured into the basin
2	Add another cup of flour to the basin
3	Measure out 0.5 teaspoon of salt and place it in the bowl
4	In the center of the flour make a well
5	Take one cup of lukewarm water
6	Take 0.5 teaspoon of yeast and mix it thoroughly in a mug of water
7	Pour carefully the yeast-infused water into the well
8	Mix the flour with the water and knead it thoroughly
9	If the dough is too stiff, add some water
10	If the dough is too thin, add some flour
11	Make a ball out of my dough
12	Dust the pan with flour and place the ball in it
13	Put the pan with the bread in the oven

**Table 2:** The thirteen steps of the recipe that the participants were taught.

More specifically, during the first phase of training which took place during the second week (Phase 1-Natural Pattern with indication: 3 sessions), one researcher physically demonstrated the steps one by one, while the main researcher provided indication (verbal instructions and modeling the step in order to show the

participant what to do) whenever the participant did not respond to the execution of a step.

In a second phase (during the third week), (Phase 2 - Natural Pattern without indication: 3 sessions) the researcher again showed the steps in order, but the main researcher did not provide indication, when the participant did not respond to the execution of a step.

In a third phase (during the fourth week), (Phase 3 - Visual recipe with indication: 1 session), the researcher illustrated the steps of the recipe so as the participants could follow them, and the main researcher provided indication (verbal instructions and modeling the step in order to show the participant what to do) whenever a participant did not respond to the execution of a step.

In the fourth phase (during the fourth week), (Phase 4 - Visual recipe without indication: 2 sessions), participants saw the recipe and followed the steps without the researcher's indication.

Throughout the whole duration of the training, verbal praise for the steps taken correctly as well as a final reward for each participant's good practice was awarded.

Finally, there was the probe-evaluation (during the fifth week), (Back to Base), in which the participants completed the entire process on their own without natural pattern, indication or visual recipe.

### Independent and dependent variables

The independent variables in the present study were the natural pattern of the researcher, the indications, the visual recipe with pictures of the thirteen steps. The dependent variable was the number of steps/responses to the execution of a step (steps without indication, steps with indication, wrong steps) from each participant per session. The data were recorded on a video-camera, collected and ranked separately for each participant by the two researchers.

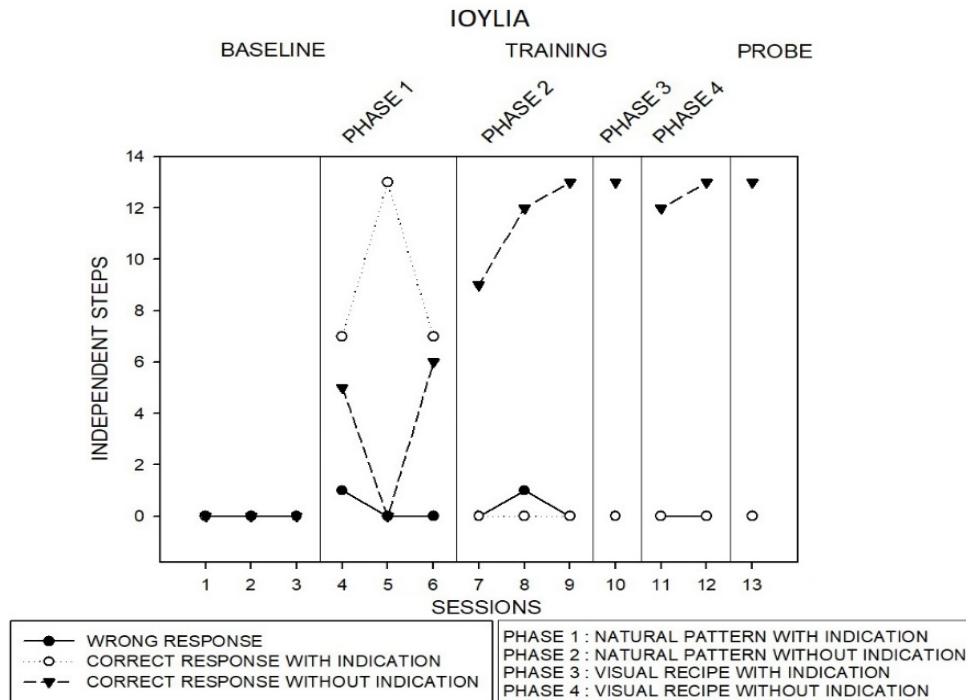
### Inter-observer agreement

All of the sessions were video-recorded and scored by two researchers (the main researcher and an observer). The agreement score was calculated point by point. The number of agreements was divided by the total number of agreements and disagreements and multiplied by 100 to give a percentage. All sessions were rated, and the average agreement rate was 94%.

### Results and Analysis

The intervention data are presented per participant. The X-axis shows the consecutive sessions and the Y-axis shows the independent steps for each participant. The vertical lines represent changes in conditions in the order of baseline, training (Phase 1, 2, 3 and 4) and probe.

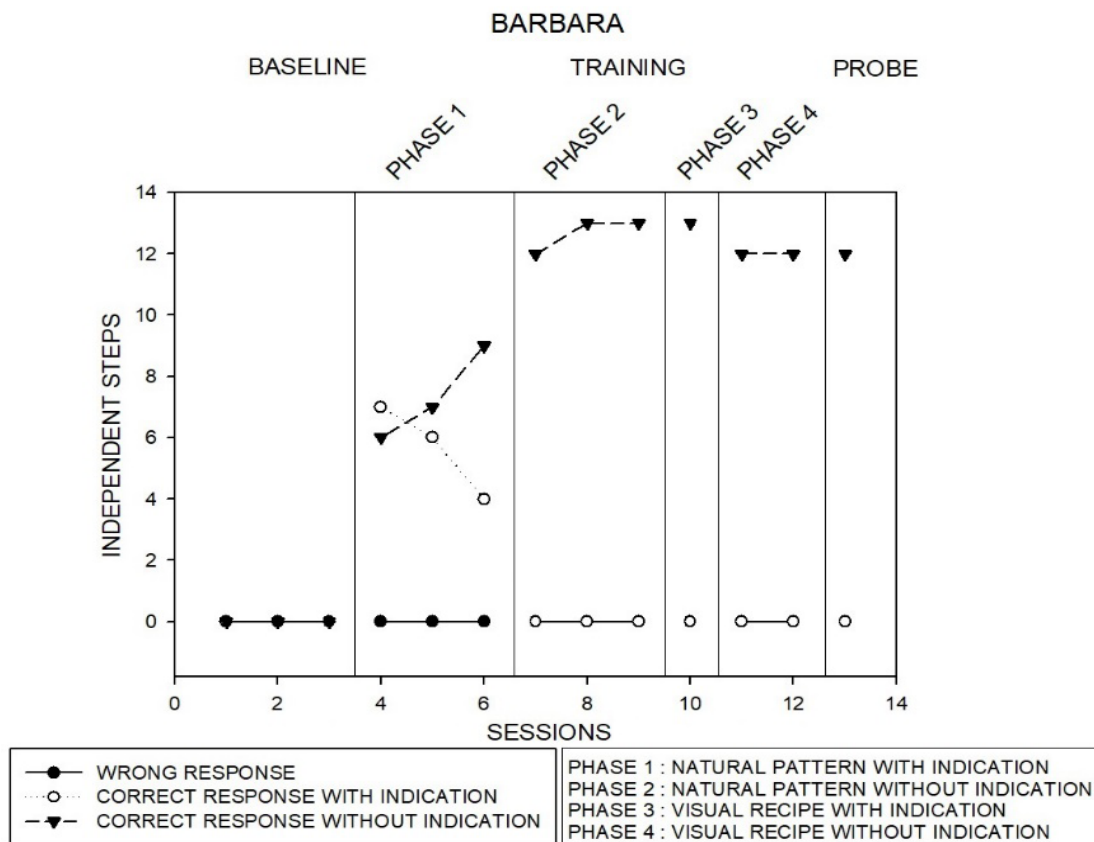
A white circle represents a correct step/response to the execution of a step with indication. A black circle represents a wrong step/response to the execution of a step. A black triangle represents a correct step/response to the execution of a step without indication.



**Figure 1:** The number of steps/responses per session from Ioulia.

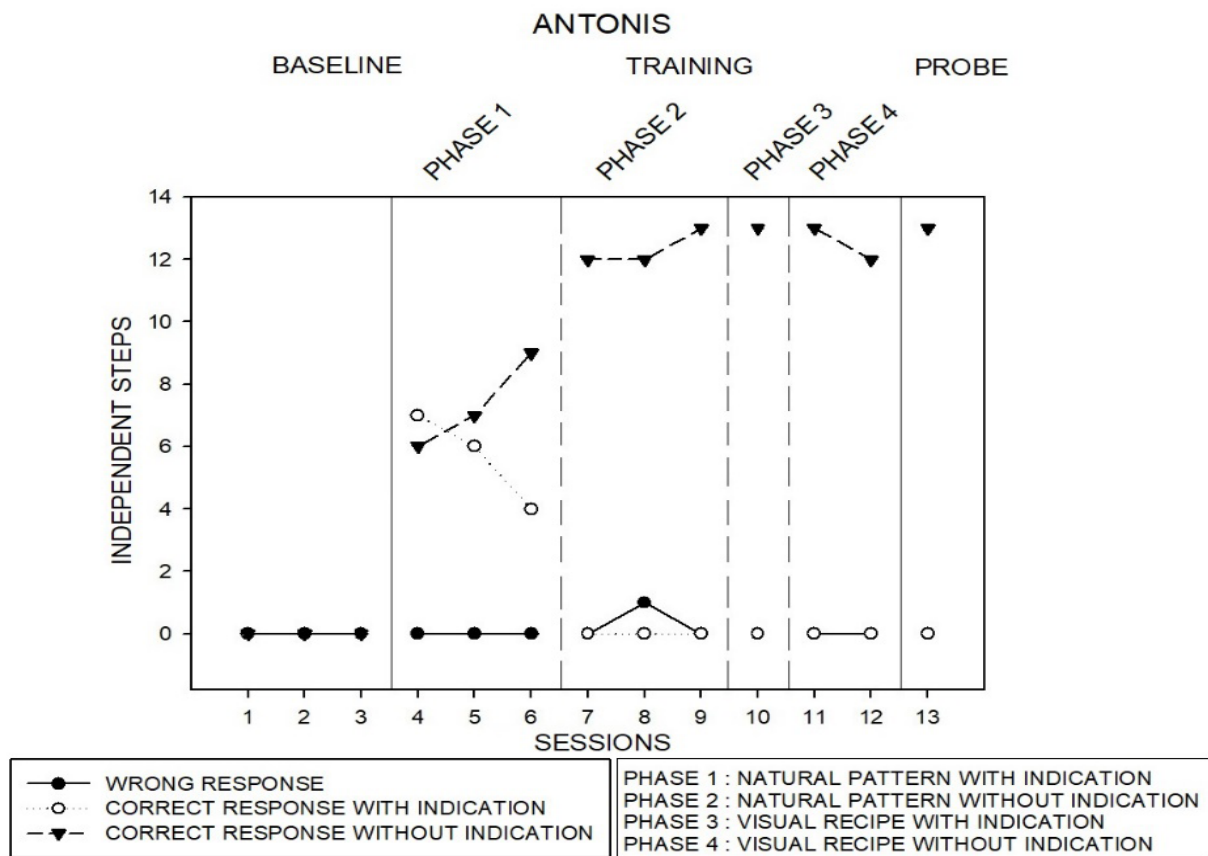
Figure 1 presents Ioulia's independent steps. Ioulia did not make any steps during the three baselines. During training (Phase 1) Ioulia made 0 to 6 correct steps with the indication by the researcher. During Phase 2 Ioulia made 9 to 13 correct steps without indication. During Phase 3 and 4, in which was given the visual recipe, Ioulia made 12 to 13 correct steps. Finally, during the probe, Ioulia made 13 correct steps without indication and without visual recipe.





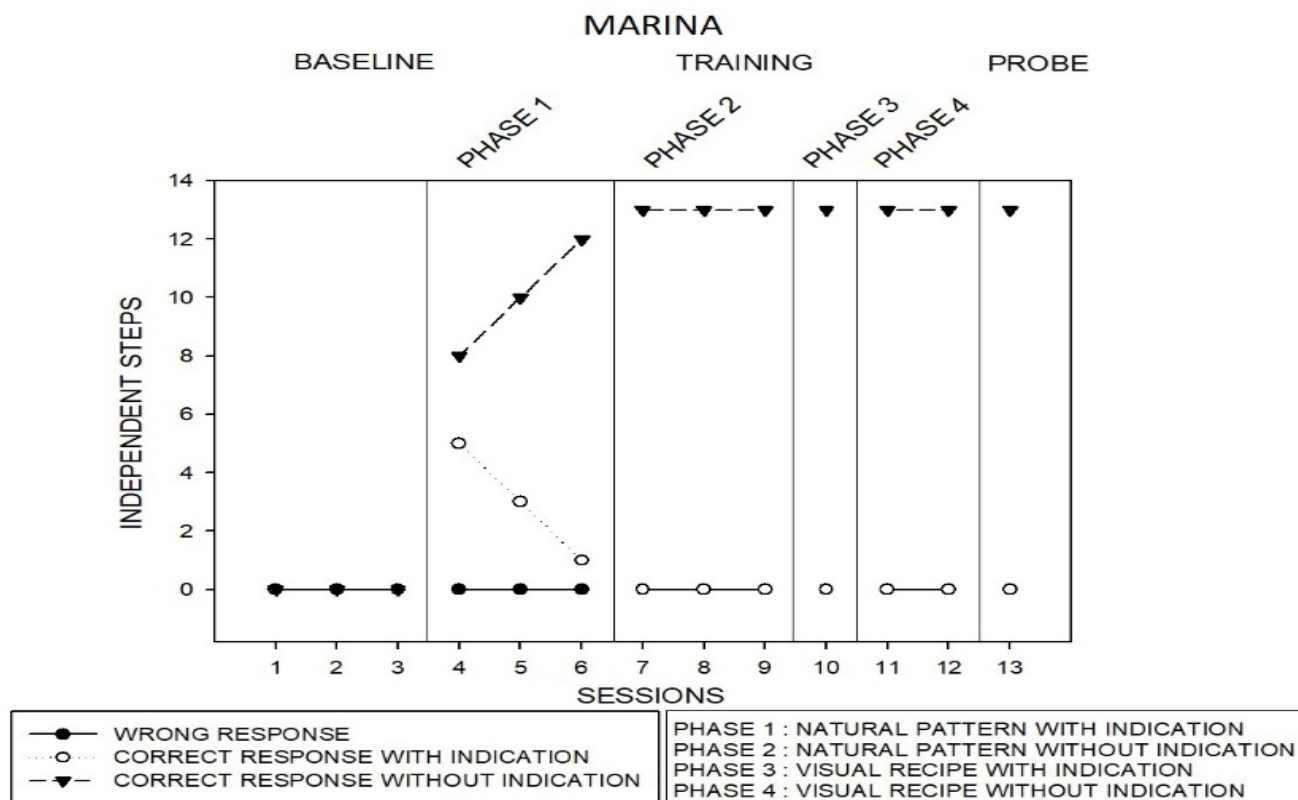
**Figure 2:** The number of steps/responses per session from Barbara.

Figure 2 presents Barbara's independent steps. Barbara did not make any steps during the three baselines. During training (Phase 1) in which was provided natural pattern Barbara made 6 to 9 correct steps without indication. During Phase 2 Barbara increased proper steps to 13. This situation was maintained during Phase 3. During Phase 4 and probe/evaluation Barbara reached 12 correct steps without indication and without visual recipe.



**Figure 3:** The number of steps/responses per session from Antonis.

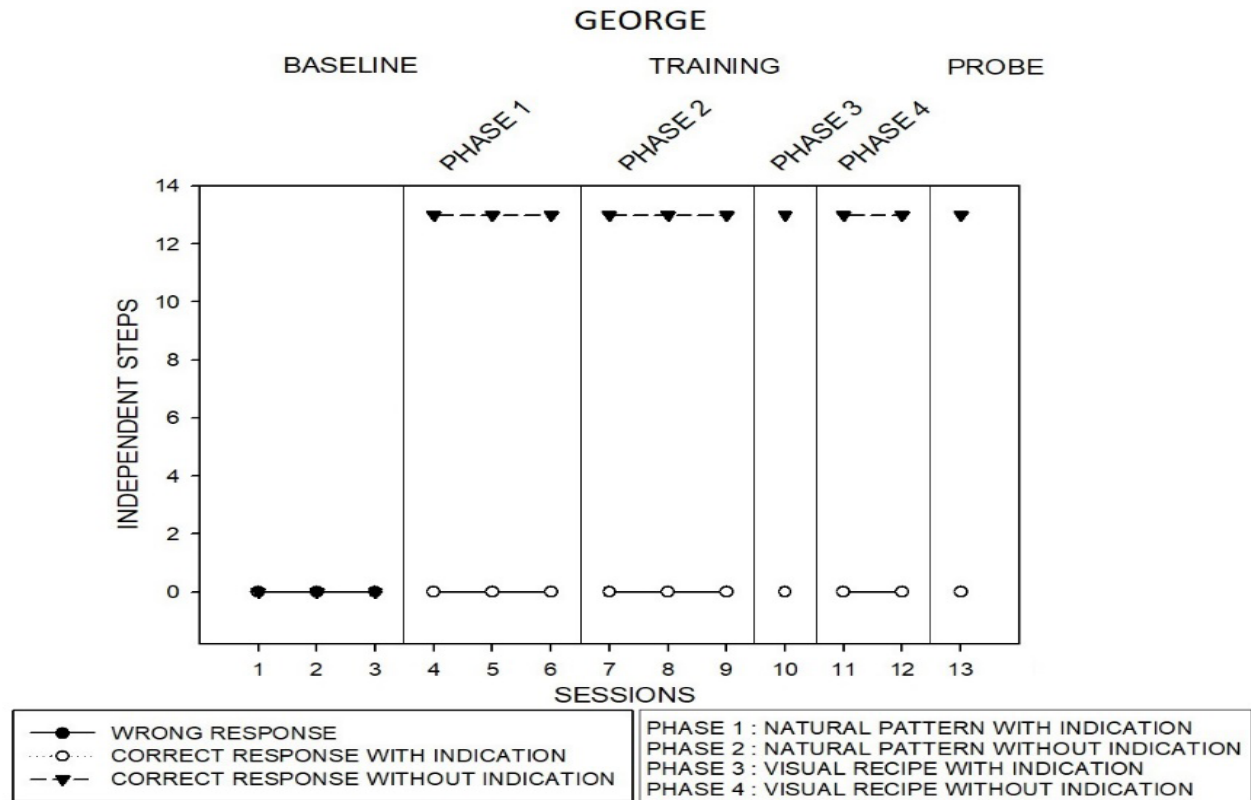
Figure 3 presents Antonis’ independent steps. Antonis did not make any steps during the three baselines. During training (Phase 1) in which was provided natural pattern Antonis made 6 to 9 correct steps without indication. During Phase 3 Antonis increased correct steps without indication and maintained the same situation during Phase 4 and evaluation.



**Figure 4:** The number of steps/responses per session from Marina.

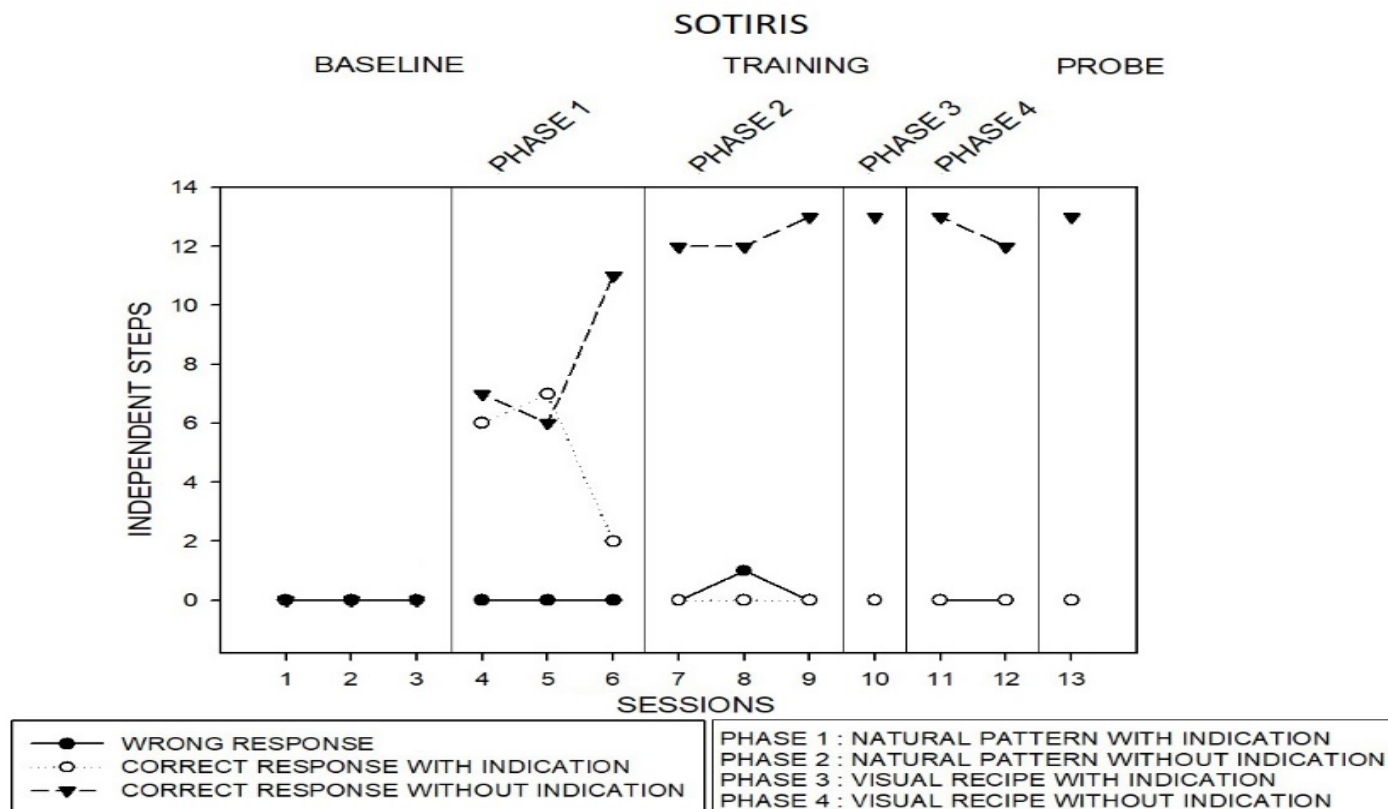
Figure 4 presents Marina's independent steps. Marina did not make any steps during the three baselines. During training (Phase 1) in which was provided natural pattern Marina increased the correct steps without indication to 12. During the other Phases and evaluation Marina made all the steps correctly without indication.





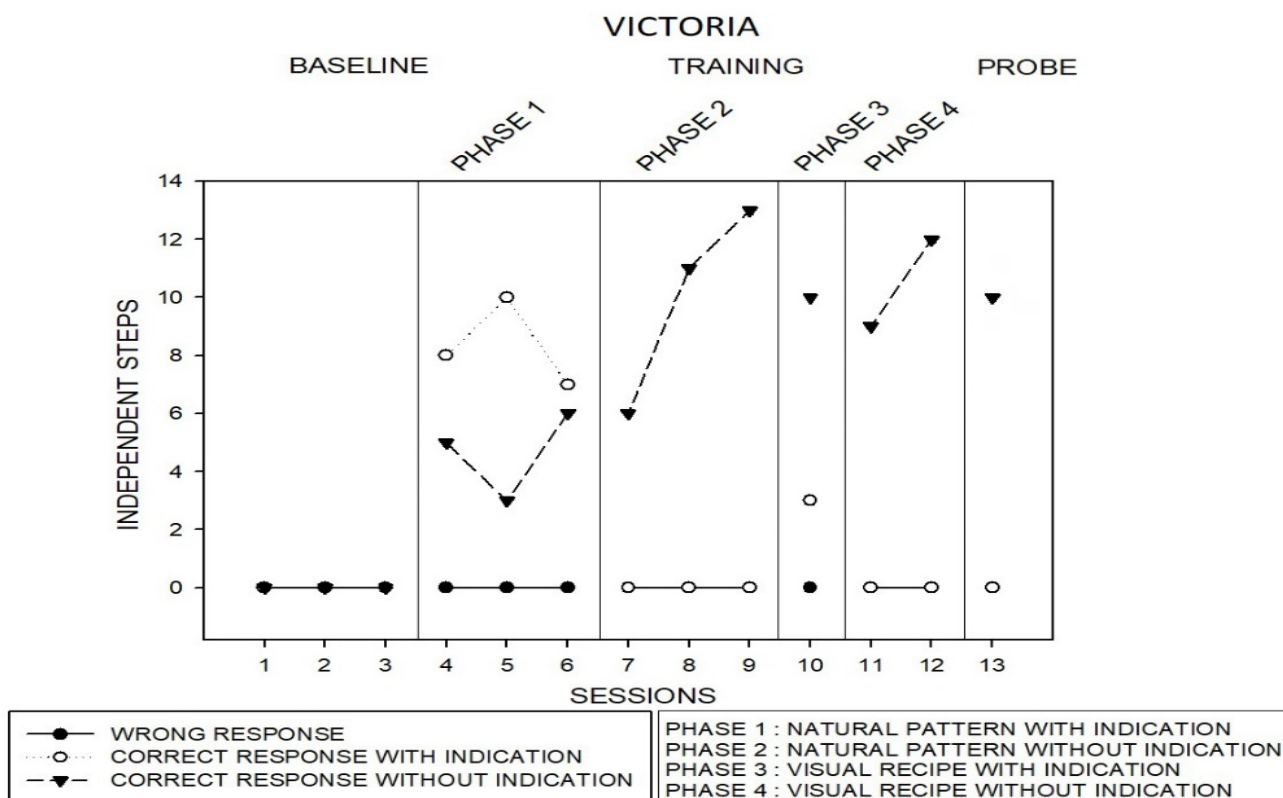
**Figure 5:** The number of steps/responses per session from George.

Figure 5 presents George’s independent steps. George did not make any steps during the three baselines. During training (Phase 1, 2, 3, and 4) in which was provided natural patterns and then a visual recipe George made all the steps without indication. He maintained the same level during the evaluation



**Figure 6:** The number of steps/responses per session from Sotiris.

Figure 6 presents Sotiris' independent steps. Sotiris did not make any steps during the three baselines. During training (Phase 1) in which was provided natural pattern Sotiris made 7 steps with indication. During Phase 2 and 3 Sotiris made 12 to 13 steps without indication. The same level was maintained during Phase 3 and 4, in which was provided visual recipe. During evaluation he made all steps on his own.



**Figure 7:** The number of steps/responses per session from Victoria.

Figure 7 presents Victoria's independent steps. Victoria, as well, did not make any steps during the three baselines. During training (Phase 1) which was provided natural pattern she made 8 and 10 steps with indication, but during Phase 2 she increased the steps from 6 to 13 without indication. During Phase 3 she made 10 steps with visual recipe and indication, while during Phase 4 she made 12 steps without indication. Finally, during evaluation Victoria made 10 steps without indication, natural pattern, or visual recipe.

### Social validity

In general, social validity refers to an examination of the social criteria with the goal of evaluating the intervention, procedures used, and the impact they had on the performance of the research participants. Social validity can be assessed in two ways: through social comparison or through subjective appraisal. Through subjective evaluation, target performance is used to validate the intervention's results. Specialists with decision-making abilities evaluate the target performance that has

changed as a result of the intervention. The evaluation is carried out to provide an overall assessment of the research participants' performance following the intervention. The person asked to judge the participants' performance should be able to determine whether there has been a significant change in performance against the goal [62].

As a result, a group of teachers was asked to evaluate the intervention in order to determine the reliability of the results and the method's validity. Five special education teachers responded to the call and watched video excerpts of a baseline (or first) training session and a final session. They had no idea which training session came first and which followed and they couldn't guess. The instructions were to attend two training sessions of the intervention in random order and to complete a short questionnaire to assess a) which situation (before or after the training) the participants performed better in, and b) the level of improvement. According to the team of teachers, the participants' overall performance ranged from moderate to high.

## Discussion

The goal of this study was to investigate whether people with DD could learn cooking skills like material identification, measurement, mixing and sequencing through an intervention program as well as whether they could recall the recipe when visual and verbal assistance was withdrawn. It is known, that cooking proficiency development is a complex topic in any population because it involves multiple skill sets and serves multiple purposes. Cooking, after all, is not a solitary activity but requires a wide range of skills that address both physical and social aspects, as well as fine and gross motor demands. Cooking necessitates cognitive processing, executive functioning, memory, and cultural participation and is influenced by a variety of factors such as income, social class, gender, and age [68]. In the present study, all seven participants who had DD were able to follow the thirteen steps of the recipe, recognize each material, use the correct quantity and, eventually, to make bread. It is obvious that in the probe-evaluation participants exhibited a greater degree of independence in task completion by recalling from memory all thirteen steps. While the experimental design requires only limited conclusions, the data are encouraging.

A literature review identified various effective teaching practices that assist individuals with DD in learning functional living skills and mainly cooking skills. Examples include video modeling [44-47, 69, 70], video prompting [48], photographs and line drawings [51, 52], illustrated pictures, photographed and/or illustrated task analysis [53, 54], virtual apps installed on tablets [71]. Individuals with DD learn a variety of skills through what they see. It is common knowledge that where the information gained through the sense of sight are registered and explained, then processed and integrated in order to get a complete picture of what it is attempted to be learned. Several strategies (prompting, modeling, reinforcement, shaping, and chaining) and interventions (video modeling, behavioral in vivo procedures, visual cues, and audio cueing) have been shown to be effective in teaching daily living skills to people with ASD [59].

The TEACCH approach also in teaching functional skills like vocational skills, communication skills, social skills, and life skills to young adults with ASD and ID is effective [72]. It is also known that intervention programs for people with DD must be based on a detailed description of each skill to be taught, a precise definition of objectives, the formulation of instructions based on the stage of the process, continuous reinforcement and feedback, strict control of each intervention, the use of supervisory means and charts to track progress, role-playing, and more general behavior modification [73]. People with ID tend to be visual learners and may not be able to read text. As such, incorporating picture recipes into any lessons about cooking will go a long way towards helping them learn the necessary skills. Individuals with

DS can remember and comprehend new information better when it is presented in the form of images [74]. This intervention program took into consideration all the above information and by using task analysis, modeling, systematic feedback, reinforcement and visual supporter managed to train adults with DD basic cooking skills. It is worth noting that during the probe/evaluation, the participants retained the recipe despite of the removal of the original components (natural pattern and visual recipe) which were used during the training. The participants were able to recall all or part of the recipe. It is understandable that when individuals with DD have opportunities and use appropriate learning strategies, they can acquire information and develop and improve their skills.

It turns out that intervention programs such as the one described above are very important. Another dimension that must be reported is that there is a therapeutic value in involving people in food preparation as a form of nutritional intervention or health promotion [35, 75, 76]. Cooking ability can improve nutritional status, dietary variety, socialization, and overall health [77, 78]. For individuals with DD the ability to cook and to take care of their nutritional needs is an important aspect of independent living [79]. At the same time, increased cognitive function [80], improved opportunities for social interaction, peer relationship development, quality of life improvement [81] and reduction of anxiety and depression are observed [81]. That's why training people with disabilities in basic skills is critical if the goal is to create adults who can survive independently in society, form relationships, and participate actively in the societies in which they live [82]. Studies showed that individuals with ID who participated in programs for living and vocational skills regained their autonomy and social inclusion [45].

The transition to independent living should be concentrated mainly during a person's post-school adolescence and adult years [83, 84]. Facilitating the individuals' transition to adulthood and working life is dependent on them acquiring the independent living skills they require. Teaching daily living skills to people with DD is critical so that they can deal with the current and future demands of everyday life, such as personal hygiene skills, dressing and taking them off, food preparation, cooking and eating, money, transportation, work skills, time management, and entertainment [85].

Teaching skills to young adults are aimed at teaching specific skills (generally daily life skills) rather than comprehensive and multi-dimensional independent life education programs [86]. Learning to cook can provide individuals with valuable exposure to a variety of academic and functional skills, including decision-making, self-determination, reading, budgeting, shopping and food purchasing, item identification, measurement, and sequencing [38]. It is worth mentioning that these skills can be generalized to new situations and stimuli. Though cognitive and social skills are

important, developing a life skills training system for individuals with ID to regain independence and relieve social burdens is a practical challenge [87]. Learning to perform functional living skills on their own may enable individuals with DD to care for them, improve their quality of life, and reduce their reliance on others [88]. Achieving independence is one of the cornerstones of our existence and teaching life skills that promote this individuality should be an integral part of the special education system, not an afterthought.

The present study aligns with the new ways of thinking about learning and training, where many naturalistic elements (use of natural pattern, visual recipe, everyday life situations) are drawn into the intervention in order to facilitate a broad generalization of the taught skill in everyday life. The fact that these gains in basic cooking skills were achieved by individuals with DD substantiates the possibility that this intervention will produce similar or better results in populations with milder disabilities, perhaps faster and with less effort devoted to teaching. For better results, such intervention programs can be implemented using multimedia systems that are personalized based on each individual's needs and preferences.

### Future directions-implications

Life skills instruction should be provided in classrooms and community settings, so that students can learn to apply what they have learned in the classroom to their daily lives [89]. Life skills instruction should be the responsibility of both general and special teachers. The special education teacher, in collaboration with the general education teacher, may encourage the inclusion of individuals with DD, and may choose a skill to emphasize each month. In addition, individuals in general education would serve as role models for students with DD. Another long-term goal could be to pair up high school special day class students as mentors or 'big buddies' to work with elementary special day class students on a practical life skill [90]. Specific interventions taught in a systematic and explicit manner can improve students' overall functioning in life and social skills [91]. Last but not least, teachers participating in such programs may benefit from having a basic understanding of behavior analytic services and extensive experience working with these students. This level of behavior analytic support is not always available in typical clinical or educational settings. That is why teacher in Greece must be trained in Applied Behavior Analysis or similar behavioral methods.

### Limitations

It is worth noting that only seven people with DD (ID, DS, or ASD with ID) took part in this study. In order for the results to be more representative, future studies may use a more representative sample, investigate additional factors (for example, gender, intellectual age/intelligence quotient, previous "experience," and

environment) and may aim to achieve generalization. Because the goal of the study was simply to show the participants' performance before and after the intervention, no comparative study was conducted between performance in the baseline and probe. Future research may focus on this topic.

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