

Vignette 6 - Introducing the metaphor of the 'Research Kitchen' in presentation

In the Cabriotraining we use the analogy of The Research Kitchen: Who is in the Research Kitchen and what are they doing? Who gets the ingredients and who does the cooking? Who leads and who follows in these processes? Who is here all the time, and who flies in and out? Who serves the food, and who stays behind to do the washing-up?

In thinking about how to present collaborative research results, we invite people to think about a dish, flavour or ingredient that explains the content of the research. The research group has to collaboratively search for ingredients and organize the cooking. The interesting thing about this assignment is that it catalyses collaborative work, and at the same time it is a team-building exercise that defines roles.

In organizing a presentation, the team is asked how to invite the public to 'smell and taste' their research content.