CLAIMS

1. A system, comprising:

a. a computing device having a processor that is operable, when executed, to:

i. display a first portion of a cooking recipe having a plurality of steps on a display of the computing device, the first portion of the cooking recipe being associated with a first step of the cooking recipe;

ii. establish a first communication link with a heat source system to be used to cook a food item in accordance with the cooking recipe;

b. the heat source system, comprising:

i. a heat source operable to provide an amount of energy to be used to cook the food item in accordance with the cooking recipe; and

ii. a processor communicatively coupled to the heat source, and operable, when executed, to:

1. receive, via the first communication link with the computing device, an indication of a first temperature associated with the first step of the cooking recipe; and

2. based on the indication of the first temperature, adjust the amount of energy provided by the heat source;

c. an auxiliary button system, comprising:

i. an interface operable to receive, via touch, an instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to a second step of the cooking recipe; and

ii. a processor communicatively coupled to the interface, and operable, when executed, to:

1. establish a second communication link with the computing device; and

2. transmit, via the second communication link with the computing device, an indication of the instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to the second step of the cooking recipe;

d. wherein the processor of the computing device is further operable to:

i. receive, via the second communication link with the auxiliary button system, the indication of the instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to the second step of the cooking recipe; and

ii. following receipt of the indication of the instruction, display a second portion of the cooking recipe on the display of the computing device, the second portion of the cooking recipe being associated with the second step of the cooking recipe;

e. wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the computing device; and

f. wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the heat source system.

2. The system of Claim 1, wherein the processor of the heat source system is further operable, when executed, to:

a. receive, via the first communication link with the computing device, an indication of a second temperature associated with the second step of the cooking recipe; and

b. based on the indication of the second temperature, further adjust the amount of energy provided by the heat source.

3. A system, comprising:

a. a computing device having a processor that is operable, when executed, to display a first portion of a cooking recipe having a plurality of steps on a display of the computing device, the first portion of the cooking recipe being associated with a first step of the cooking recipe;

b. a heat source system, comprising:

i. a heat source operable to provide an amount of energy to be used to cook a food item in accordance with the cooking recipe; and

ii. a processor communicatively coupled to the heat source, and operable, when executed, to adjust the amount of energy provided by the heat source based on one or more communications with the computing device via a first communication link;

c. an auxiliary button system, comprising:

i. an interface operable to receive, via touch, an instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to a second step of the cooking recipe; and

ii. a processor communicatively coupled to the interface, and operable, when executed, to transmit, via a second communication link with the computing device, an indication of the instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to the second step of the cooking recipe;

d. wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the computing device; and

e. wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the heat source system.

4. The system of Claim 3, wherein the processor of the computing device is further operable to:

a. receive, via the second communication link with the auxiliary button system, the indication of the instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to the second step of the cooking recipe; and

b. following receipt of the indication of the instruction, display a second portion of the cooking recipe on the display of the computing device, the second portion of the cooking recipe being associated with the second step of the cooking recipe.

5. The system of Claim 4, wherein the processor of the heat source system is further operable, when executed, to further adjust the amount of energy provided by the heat source based on one or more additional communications with the computing device via the first communication link.

6. The system of Claim 3, wherein the auxiliary button system further comprises:

a. an auxiliary device; and

b. an auxiliary button module coupled to the auxiliary device, the auxiliary button module including the interface.

7. The system of Claim 6, wherein the auxiliary button module is integrated with the auxiliary device.

8. The system of Claim 6, wherein the auxiliary button module further includes the processor of the auxiliary button system, wherein the auxiliary button module is removable from the auxiliary device and operable to be used as a standalone device.

9. The system of Claim 6, wherein the auxiliary device comprises a cooking appliance, a cooking vessel, a cooking surface, a cooking utensil, a support system, an auxiliary display, or a wearable device.

10. The system of Claim 6, wherein the auxiliary device comprises the heat source system.

11. The system of Claim 3, wherein at least a portion of the auxiliary button system is washable with water.

12. The system of Claim 3, wherein the second step of the cooking recipe is a step that is subsequent to the first step of the cooking recipe or prior to the first step of the cooking recipe.

13. A method, comprising:

a. displaying, by a processor of a computing device, a first portion of a cooking recipe having a plurality of steps on a display of the computing device, the first portion of the cooking recipe being associated with a first step of the cooking recipe;

b. establishing, by the processor of the computing device, a first communication link with a heat source system, the heat source system having a heat source that is operable to provide an amount of energy to be used to cook a food item in accordance with the cooking recipe;

c. establishing, by the processor of the computing device, a second communication link with an auxiliary button system, the auxiliary button system having an interface that is operable to receive, via touch, an instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to a second step of the cooking recipe, wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the computing device, wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the heat source system;

d. transmitting, by the processor of the computing device and via the first communication link, one or more communications to the heat source system so as to cause the heat source system to adjust the amount of energy provided by the heat source in accordance with the cooking recipe; and

e. receiving, by the processor of the computing device and via the second communication link, an indication of the instruction to move from the first step of the cooking recipe to the second step of the cooking recipe.

14. The method of Claim 13, further comprising, following receipt of the indication of the instruction, displaying, by the processor of the computing device, a second portion of the cooking recipe on the display of the computing device, the second portion of the cooking recipe being associated with the second step of the cooking recipe.

15. The method of Claim 14, further comprising, following receipt of the indication of the instruction, transmitting, by the processor of the computing device and via the first communication link, one or more additional communications to the heat source system so as to cause the heat source system to further adjust the amount of energy provided by the heat source in accordance with the cooking recipe.

16. The method of Claim 13, wherein the auxiliary button system comprises:

a. an auxiliary device; and

b. an auxiliary button module coupled to the auxiliary device, the auxiliary button module including the interface.

17. The method of Claim 16, wherein the auxiliary button module is integrated with the auxiliary device.

18. The method of Claim 16, wherein the auxiliary button module is removable from the auxiliary device and operable to be used as a standalone device.

20. The method of Claim 16, wherein the auxiliary device comprises a cooking appliance, a cooking vessel, a cooking surface, a cooking utensil, a support system, an auxiliary display, or a wearable device.

21. A system, comprising:

a. a computing device having a processor that is operable, when executed, to:

i. display at least a portion of a cooking recipe on a display of the computing device; and

ii. transmit, via a first wireless communication link, one or more communications associated with the cooking recipe to a heat source system so as to assist in cooking a food item in accordance with the cooking recipe;

b. an auxiliary button system, comprising:

i. an interface operable to receive, via touch, an instruction associated with the cooking recipe; and

ii. a processor communicatively coupled to the interface, and operable, when executed, to transmit, via a second wireless communication link with the computing device, an indication of the instruction associated with the cooking recipe;

c. wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the computing device; and

d. wherein the auxiliary button system is separate from the heat source system.