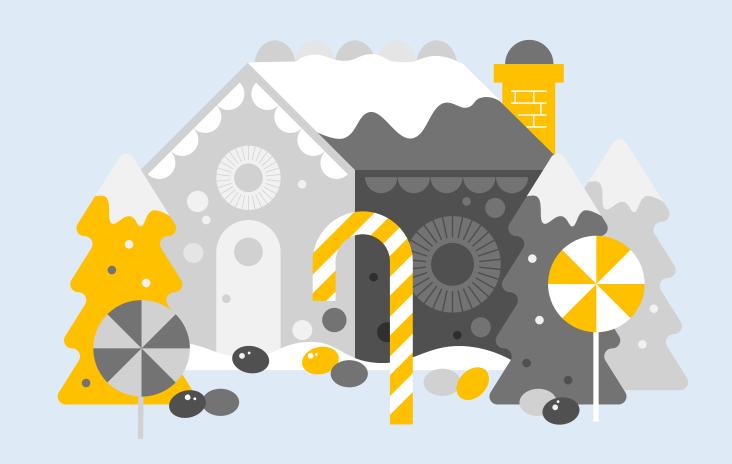


Gingerbread House Making with Patients with Dementia

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Event Information

Event was at the Foundry Art Center from 3-4 pm

Set Up:

- Each couple had their own plate with one prebuilt gingerbread house.
- We placed extra candies all around the tables due to the boxes having very minimal candy options.
- We also played Christmas music from one of our speakers.
- We did have snowflake making as a second creative activity just in case gingerbread house making got done early.





Memory Concepts Observed

Failed Retrieval of Episodic Memory

Could not remember building
Gingerbread houses prior to the event at
any point in their life.

Ability to use Working Memory

 Although they may have conditions in which affect their long-term memory, they were able to use their short-term memory to have conversation with us.

Lasting Impact on Our Learning

- We got to connect with the individuals and find common interests.
- Heard thousands of stories and life lessons that we can keep with us our whole lives.
- Firsthand experience with how those with Dementia function and socialize in the real world.

