

BOOK OF THE MONTH:

The Gingerbread Man

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Ages 3 -7 years old

1. Introducing the book:



Exploring the Cover

Ask the children to describe what they see. Tell them that the cookie is called a gingerbread man. Have they ever eaten a gingerbread man cookie?

Building Background

Before reading the book, show the children the cut-out sheet with the characters from the story. Tell them they will color and cut out the characters to help you tell the story. Once all the children have their puppets in hand, the reading can begin!

2. Reading the book:

As you read the story, ask the children to point to the characters you mention. Ask them to show their puppets and mime what the character is doing.

3. After reading the book: Gingerbread man playdough



- Measuring to describe, compare and order things.



- Practicing fine motor skills while pouring the ingredients, squeezing the food coloring, and measuring.

Ingredients:

- ¼ cup molasses
- ¾ cup cornstarch
- 4 tsp. baking soda
- 2 tsp. water
- 2 tbsp. vegetable oil
- ¼ tsp cinnamon
- ¼ tsp ginger
- ¼ tsp nutmeg
- ¼ tsp cloves
- 2 tbsp flour



Instructions :

1. Mix cornstarch, baking soda and spices in a bowl.
2. Stir in water, oil and molasses.
3. Add flour and mix well until dough is smooth. The dough should be smooth and not sticky. You can add a teaspoon or two of flour if necessary, but don't use too much, or the dough will become crumbly.
4. Roll out the dough and use the cookie cutters to make little gingerbread men. Decorate with eyes and buttons.

References and resources

For the **puppets** ↗

(educadoradeilusiones.blogspot.com/2012/04/manualidades-para-ninos.html)

For the **recipe** (naturalbeachliving.com/gingerbread-playdough-recipe/)

Legend



Cognitive



Socio-emotional



Language



Physical