



Gingerbread Man Decorating

Focus: Creativity, Recognition of Colors and Shapes, and Fine Motor Skills practice

Shape Recognition - Children get a hands on lesson in shapes as they look for various shapes for buttons on the gingerbread man. Can they give him square buttons? What about circle and triangle buttons? For older children, spell the shape aloud and have them decorate with the correct shape.

Color Recognition - Can your child find blue yarn? Can your older child find R-E-D buttons? Have fun learning about colors while you decorate your gingerbread man.

Fine Motor Skills - Children are given the opportunity to work on their fine motor skills as they decorate their gingerbread man with shapes for buttons and colored yarn.

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Gingerbread Men Counting

Focus: Number recognition, Counting 1 to 5, Addition and subtraction skills

(Numbers 0-10 Set Optional)

Number Recognition - This optional game requires the Numbers 0-10 Set. Place the correct number on each gingerbread man, saying the number aloud as you go. You could also misplace them to see if your child can spot what's wrong.

Counting 1 to 5 - How many cookies shall we bake today? One, two, three, four, or five? Younger children will love baking and counting, while older children can learn to count forwards and backwards - just for fun!

Addition and Subtraction Skills - There are two gingerbread men baking in the oven, and you need to add two more for mom and dad. How many will you have altogether?

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