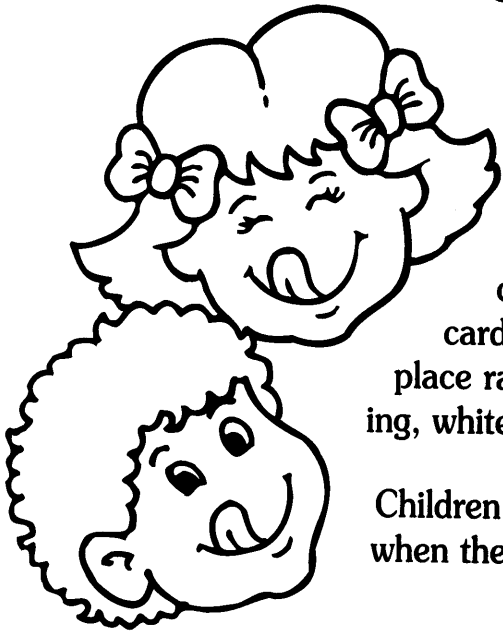


Gingerbread Men!

Gingerbread men are fun to make and so good to eat!



Trace and cut out the gingerbread man pattern below onto cardboard. Use a packaged gingerbread mix and follow the directions on the box for rolled gingerbread cookies. Have the children roll the dough onto waxed paper and trace around the cardboard pattern using a rounded, plastic knife. Have the students place raisins for eyes and cinnamon red-hots for the mouth. After baking, white frosting can be applied to outline clothes and to add buttons.

Children will enjoy following the directions and helping with the cleanup when the reward is a freshly baked gingerbread cookie!

GINGERBREAD MEN ORNAMENTS

These gingerbread men ornaments will smell like the real thing!

Make these simple, paper ornaments from brown construction paper or a large, heavy grocery bag. Instruct the children to trace the pattern and cut him out. Use a spray adhesive to the front of each gingerbread man and sprinkle him with powdered cinnamon or ginger. The students can then decorate the gingerbread men with white poster paint using a small brush. When dry, attach a thread to the top of each head and hang them on a Christmas tree.

