

# Kid Scoop

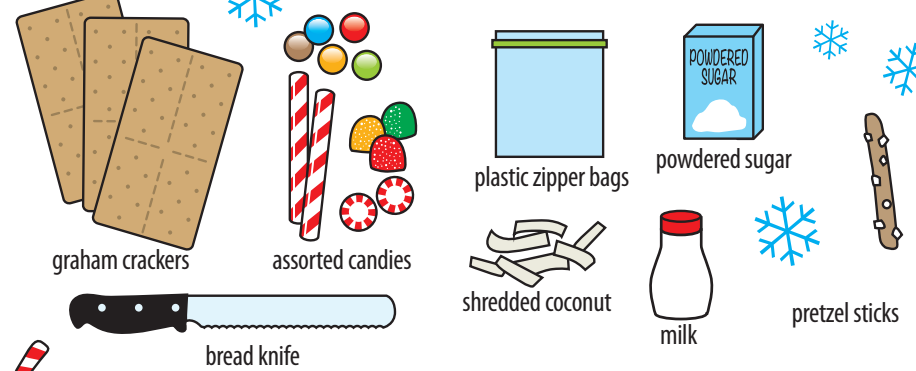
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## A HOLIDAY FAMILY CRAFT! GRAHAM CRACKER GINGERBREAD HOUSES

### STUFF YOU'LL NEED:



### Seeing Double

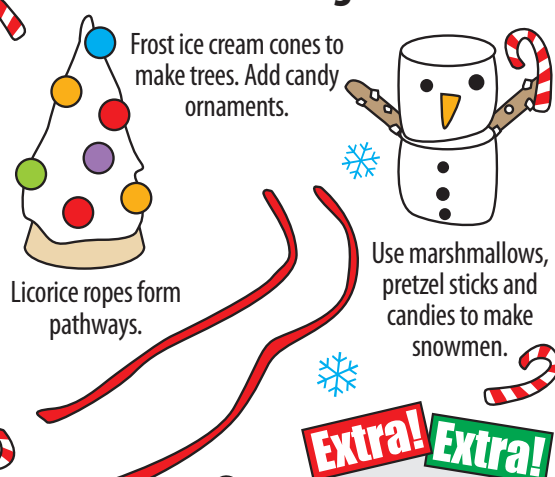
Gingerbread houses come in an endless variety of shapes and sizes. Can you find the two gingerbread houses that look exactly alike?



### INSTRUCTIONS:

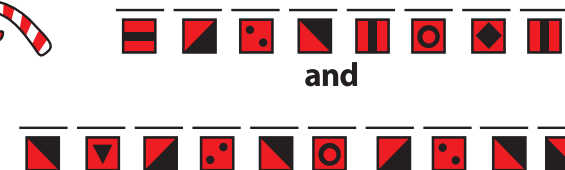
- Make icing by mixing 2 cups powdered sugar with 3 to 4 tablespoons milk. Whip until it is the consistency of toothpaste.
- Using a gentle sawing motion, carefully cut the corners of two graham crackers with a bread knife.
- Next, carefully cut a full size graham cracker in half.
- Put icing in zipper plastic bag. Snip a tiny hole in a bottom corner of the bag.
- Squeeze a line of icing from bag along edge of graham cracker wall.
- Attach graham cracker wall as shown.
- Keep attaching walls and roof panels with icing.
- Frost roof and sprinkle with coconut flakes.
- Use icing and pretzel sticks to make a fence for your house.

### More decorating ideas!



Use the code to discover the two most important ingredients in making a gingerbread house.

■ = A   ■ = E   ■ = I   ■ = N   ■ = P  
 ■ = C   ■ = G   ■ = M   ■ = O   ■ = T



### Extra! Extra! Holiday Cards

Make your own holiday cards or gift tags by clipping out words and pictures from your newspaper or printing them from the online edition. Paste these onto paper to make into a card or gift tag.

**Standards Link:** Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

How many candy canes can you find in this box?

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Kid Scoop Word Search

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

SPRINKLE  
CRACKER  
PRETZEL  
COCONUT  
GRAHAM  
ZIPPER  
HOUSES  
DOUBLE  
SAWING  
IDEAS  
ICING  
SUGAR  
CANDY  
MILK  
WHIP

G	T	U	N	O	C	O	C	Z	P
R	I	Y	D	N	A	C	I	S	I
L	E	Z	T	E	R	P	M	P	H
H	L	K	N	G	P	A	S	R	W
O	B	E	C	E	H	U	A	I	G
U	U	R	R	A	G	B	W	N	M
S	O	R	R	A	R	E	I	K	I
E	D	G	R	A	D	C	N	L	L
S	S	A	E	D	I	S	G	E	K

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Winter Clues

Look through the newspaper for ten or more clues that it is winter in your town. Write a paragraph describing the winter holidays in your town. Incorporate words that you found in the newspaper.

**Standards Link:** Writing Applications: Use descriptive language that clarifies and enhances ideas.

Who delivers Christmas presents to gingerbread men?

**ANSWER:** Crisp Kringie.

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