Architecture @ Home is... Build a Gingerbread House

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: [Suggested for Knd - 5th graders] This activity will guide you in how to build a simple edible "gingerbread" house using graham crackers, icing, and your favorite candies.

STEPS:

 Using a serrated knife, saw the top of a graham cracker at a diagonal to make the <u>GABLE</u> end of the house.
Repeat this step so you have 2 gable ends.

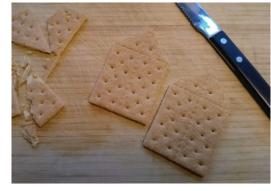
2) Spread a thin line of icing along the vertical edges of the graham cracker you just cut.

3) Place a graham cracker against the icing on each of the vertical sides, and attach the other gable end so all four walls are connected.

4) Spread a line of icing along the diagonal edges of the gable, and place 1 graham cracker on each side to form the roof.

5) Spread a line of icing along the <u>RIDGE</u>. Let the icing harden for 30 minutes.

6) Decorate using your favorite candies. Use the icing like glue to help stick the candies to the graham crackers.











MATERIAL LIST

 6 FULL SHEETS OF GRAHAM CRACKERS
ROYAL ICING, COOKIE
ICING, OR CAKE FROSTING
OPTIONAL DECORATIONS: RED & GREEN M&MS, GUMDROPS, PEZ, MINI CANDY CANES, SPRINKLES/JIMMIES, TWIZZLERS, GUMMIES
CUTTING BOARD
SERRATED KNIFE
BUTTER KNIFE
HAND MIXER
MIXING BOWL

KEYWORDS

<u>Gable</u> - the triangle shaped piece of wall below two roof sections that slope in opposite directions

<u>Ridge</u> - the line at the top edge of two sloping roof planes

Keep GOing!

HOUSES COME IN ALL SHAPES AND SIZES! HERE ARE A FEW VARIATIONS TO TRY: -TRY DIFFERENT ROOF

TYPES - MAKE A HOUSE WITH A ROOF THAT SLOPES TO 1 SIDE ONLY - STACK GRAHAM CRACKERS TO MAKE A 2 STORY HOUSE - GO TALL! MAKE A GINGERBREAD SKYSCRAPER

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