

The Gingerbread Man

Start with reading the story either from a book or online.

Literacy

Children can draw all the characters in the story and write their names underneath – could be turned into simple puppets by cutting out and sticking onto a stick/ a lolly stick/ a straw.

They can use them to act out and retell the story.

Children can draw their favourite part of the story and have a go at writing a sentence or two beneath.

Rhyming words...depending on your version and characters in your story can they create a rhyming word list...

Man – can , pan , fan etc

Cow- how, now etc

Dog- etc etc

Maths

Weighing- Follow a simple recipe and make some gingerbread men

Have fun decorating them....and eating them!

Make some salt dough and create their own gingerbread man

Length-Can they make different sized men?

Length – measure your gingerbread men – using a ruler – or a stick of lego bricks (how many bricks high?)

Position – bake a gingerbread man let it go hard then get a box/ a basket and some simple signs/ flashcards – Can you put your gman – on, in, on top, by etc

A set of gingerbread men – homemade/ supermarket/ paper...

Counting in 2s-

Put out a line of g'men- how many pairs of...arms / legs/ eyes/

Counting in 5s

Put 5 buttons on each g'man – count in 5s how many buttons?

Salt doh / playdoh/ paper g'men x2 and a dice...

Roll dice and put that many buttons on one man/ roll dice put how many buttons on that man...now how many altogether (use beads/ counters/ pasta/ buttons/ screwed up paper balls)

Can they write the addition stories to match? Repeat...

DT challenge-

Small gman from supermarket may be good for this...or else some home made...

Can they design a way for the g'man to get across the river safely from the fox?...using bowl of water/ sink/ paddling pool/ bath...

This could be lego or construction kits and/ or junk modelling....there will be disasters but we can learn from them...floating and sinking will naturally follow...!!!

Art/ Craft

Make a paper / or fabric g'man glove puppet – collage features and details

Make a salt dough g'man and when hard paint and decorate

Paint a picture from the story

A painting or picture of a g'man cut it out...now design and make clothes to 'dress' your man – for the rain/ the cold/ the beach etc