

Pre-k Theme for a Day is a series of mini teaching topics that are focused towards preschool and Pre-K learners. Although the activities are written to cover one full day of activities and related games, centers and other printables, there are enough ideas to extend the theme longer if needed.

The learning areas included are:

- A Spark! Activity ignite interest in the topic
- Large group learning time
- Discovery centers
- Creative art idea
- Music and movement
- A story suggestion
- Small group game, and a
- Record and remember activity

All the printables needed are included - click on the activity description to go to the related printables.

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# Spark! Activity

Show the children a cookie sheet, or read them the ingredients list of a simple cookie recipe. Can they guess what the sheet is used for? Or what the recipe might make? (Click for printable - large manipulatives)

### **Learning Group Time**

Preparing and eating traditional food is an important part of celebrating holidays. Let's make a list of all the things we can think of that are baked in an oven (including cookies). (Click for printable) (Cakes, muffins, bread, turkey, lasagna etc.

#### **Discovery Centers**

- Play cookie bingo/match (Click for printable)
- "Baking" sequence cards small group and center (Click for printable)
- Match numerals with sets of cookies center (Click for printable)
- Tracing cookie cutter shapes fine motor activity
- Add cinnamon or cocoa to homemade play dough and pretend to be bakers (non-edible)
- Categorizing "tools" and "ingredients" used in cookie baking. (Click for printable)
- Order by size chocolate chip cookies. (Click for printable)
- Colors Matching cookies to same color jars. (Click for printable)
- Make and read emergent reader with repeating words: "Cookie, Cookie". (Click for printable)
- Center match-up cards match 2 halves of the cookie to make a whole cookie. Symmetry focus. (Click for printable)
- Play dough mat decorate 3 cookies. (Click for printable)
- 3 "discuss and color" printables. (Click for printable)

#### Creative Art

- Print with cookie cutters dip in thick tempera. OR
- Add sawdust or coffee grounds to medium brown tempera, paint circle cookies. Can stick chocolate chips onto "cookies". (Click for printable)

#### Music and Movement

A song to sing while waiting for cookies to baketune: This Land is your Land.

My cookies are baking, in the oven baking, They will be ready, so soon for eating,
Oh I am waiting, patiently waiting,

Until those cookies are baked for me. (Yum, yum).

Rhyme: Five little cookies in the bakery shop. Shining bright with some sugar on top.

Along comes (child's name) with a nickel to pay.

He/she buys a cookie and takes it away. (Continue with four,

three, two and one). (Click for printable)

## **Story Suggestion**

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by Laura Numeroff Saturdays and Teacakes by Lester Laminack Mr. Cookie Baker by Monica Wellington

#### Small Group Game

Activities with commercial animal cookies - counting, matching, making sets, eating.

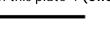
#### Record and Remember

Draw a picture - "There are 5 delicious cookies on this plate". (Click for printable)





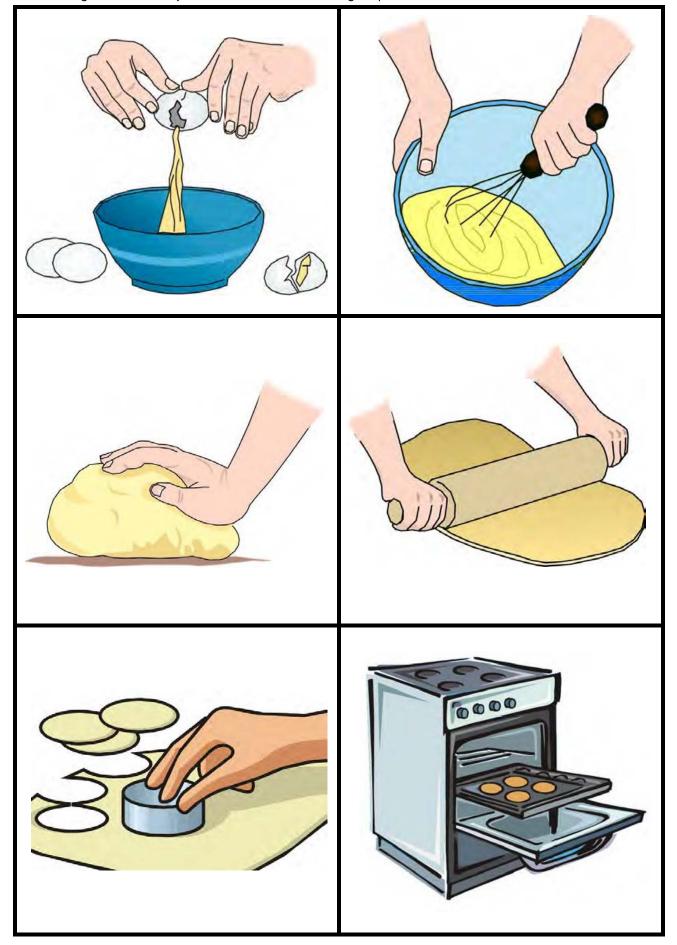










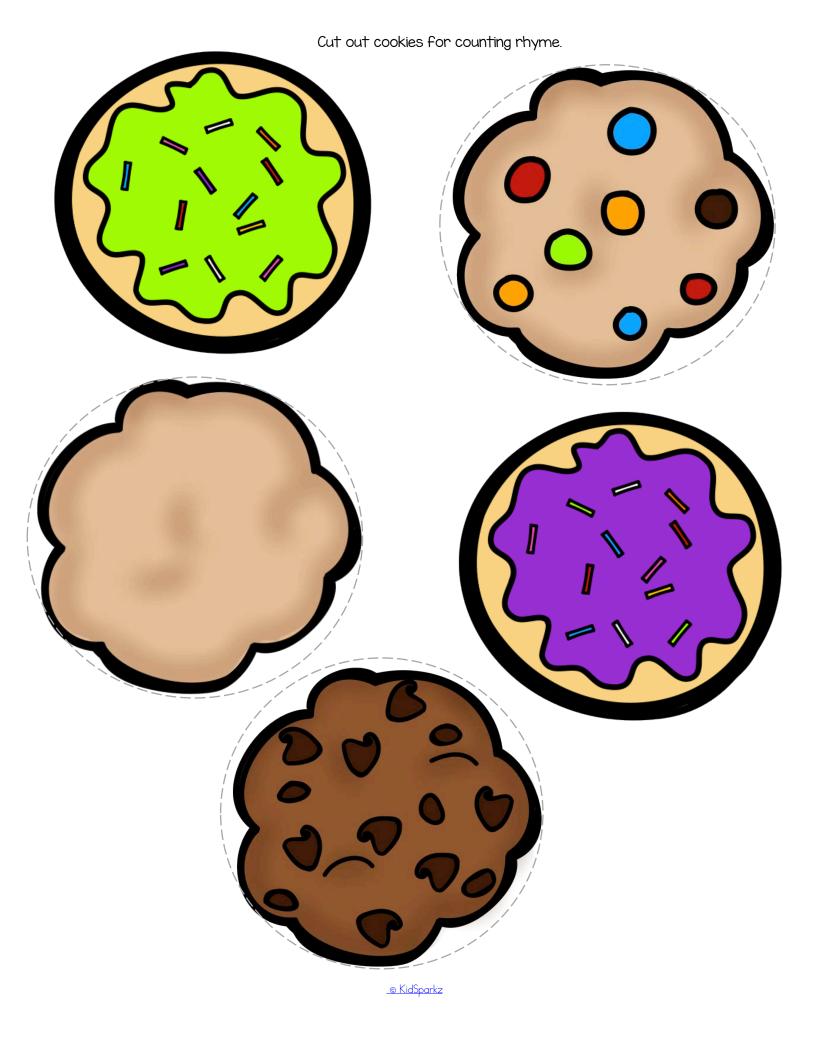


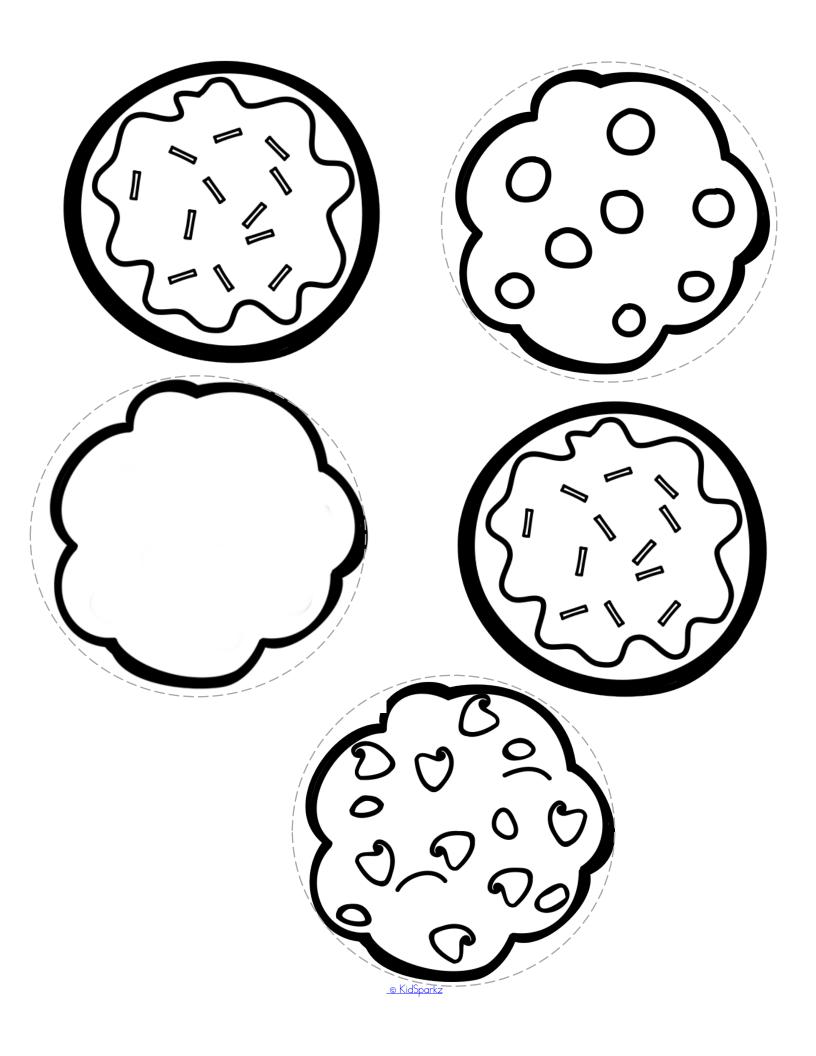
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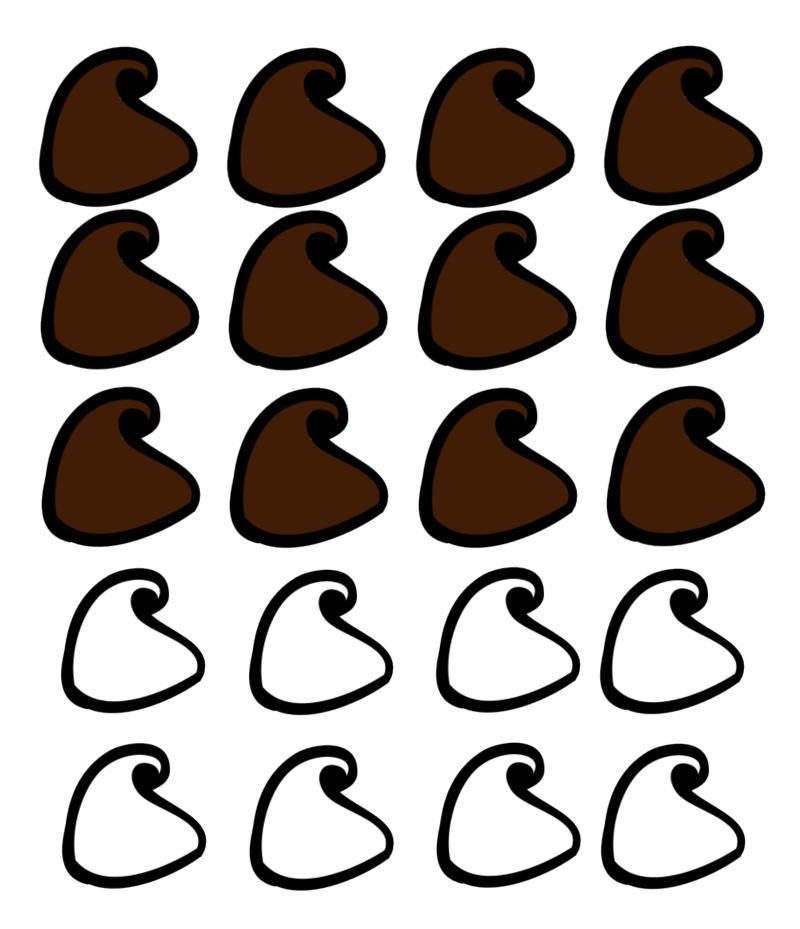
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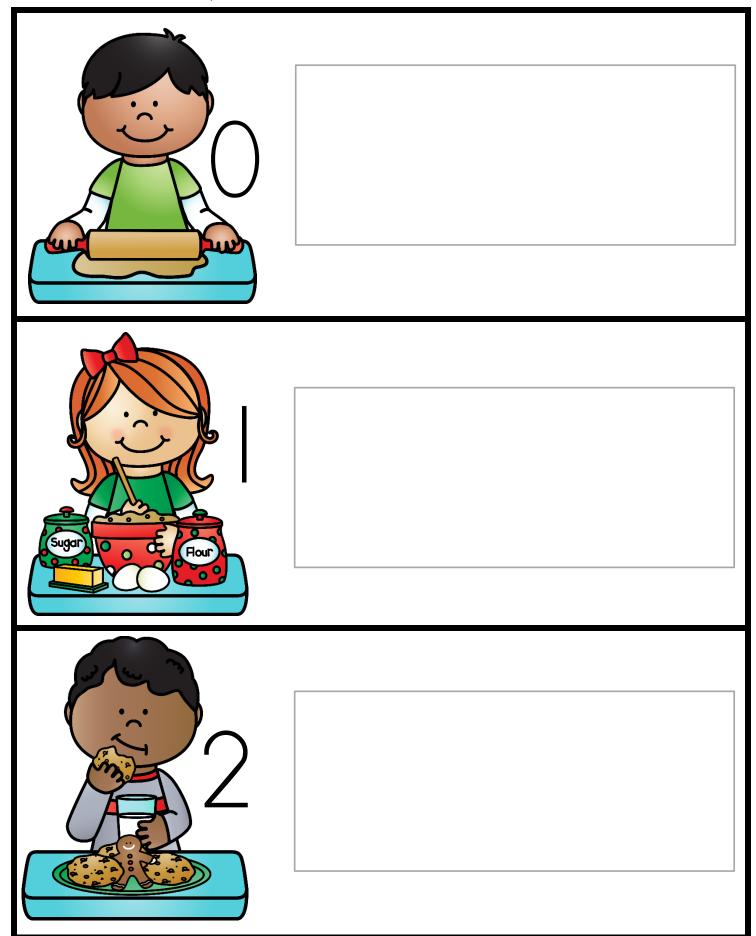


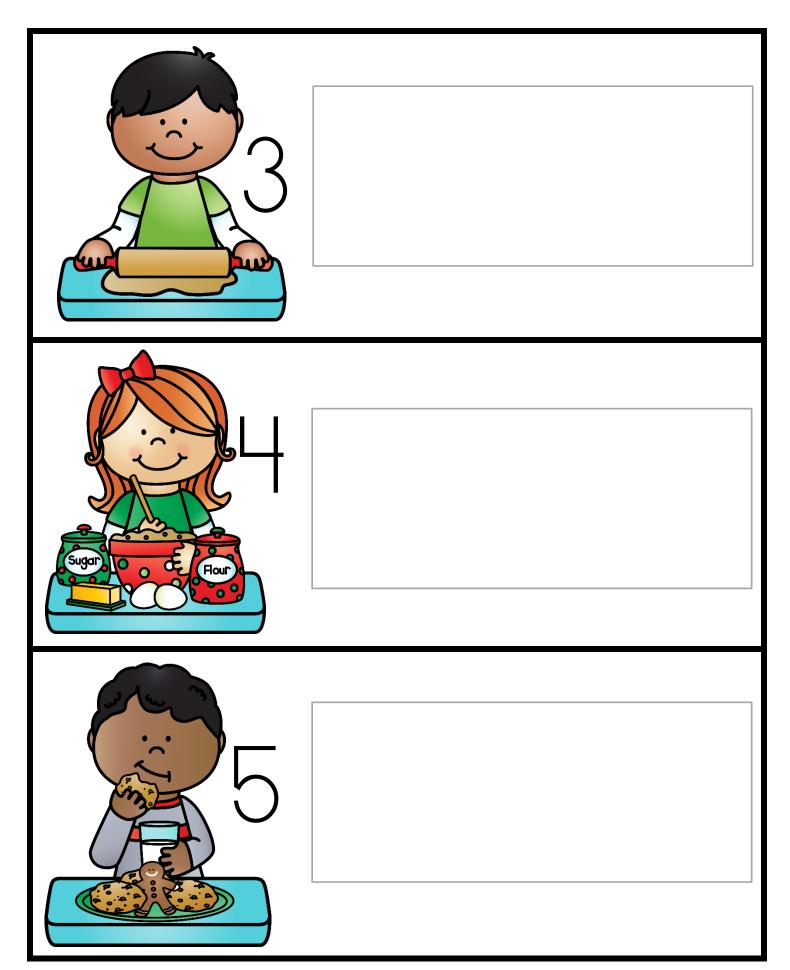




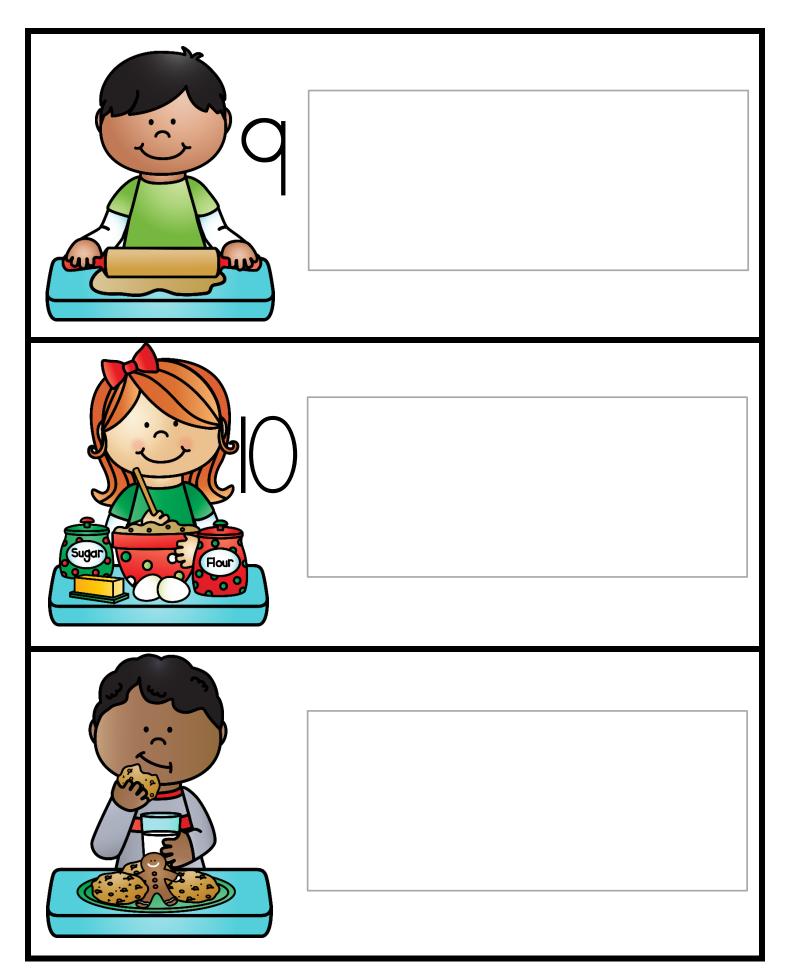




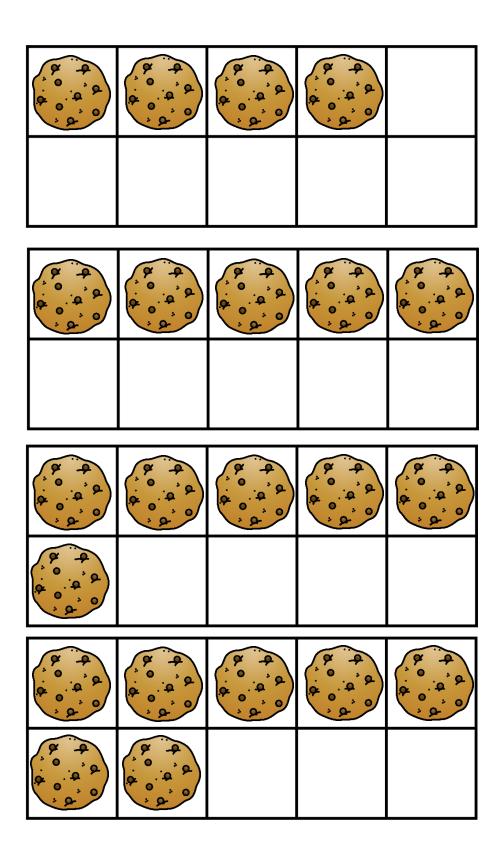


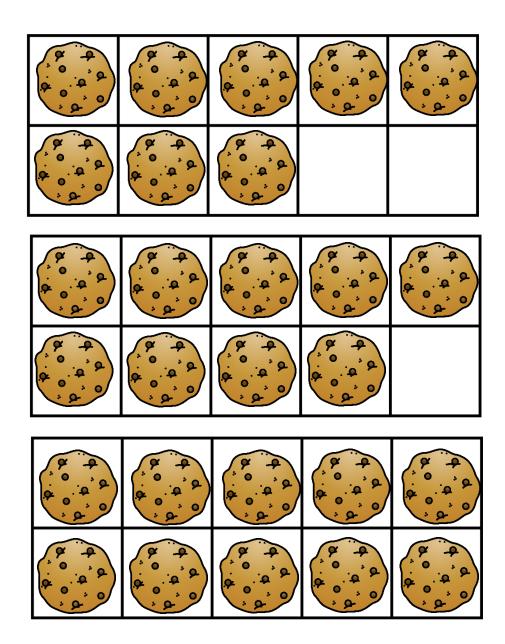


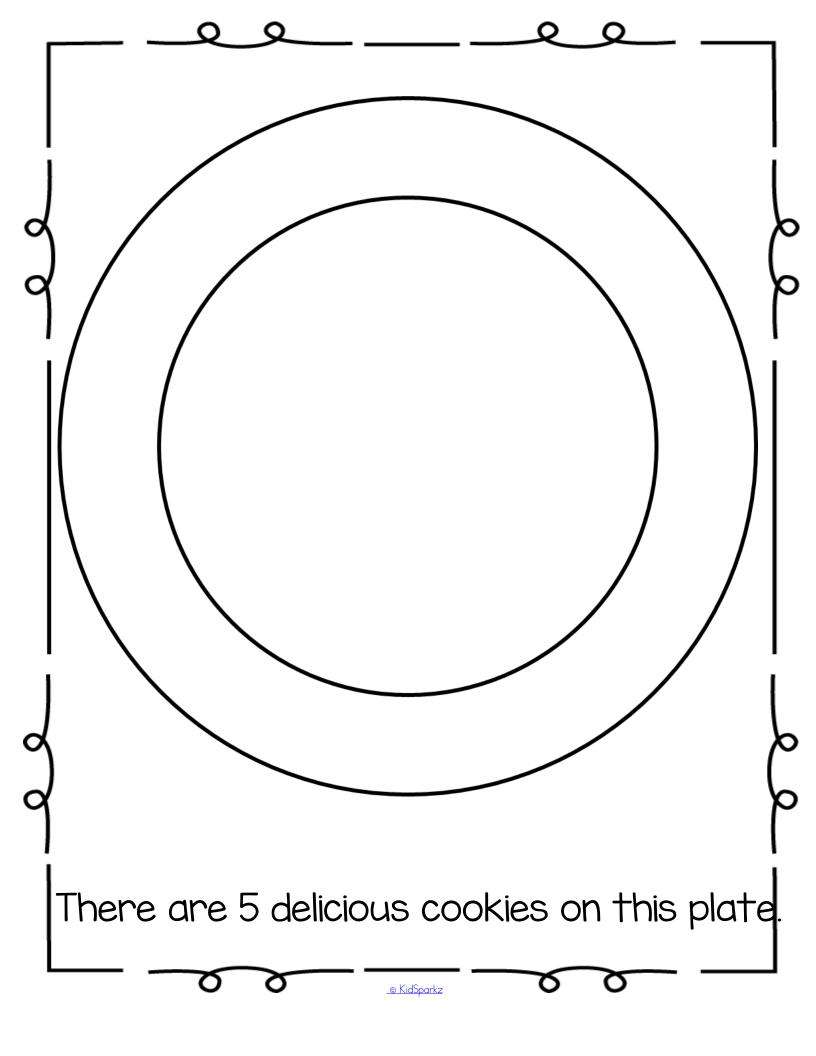




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Cookie, cookie, oatmeal raisin.



Cookie, cookie, fortune cookie.





Cookie, cookie, jam in the middle.



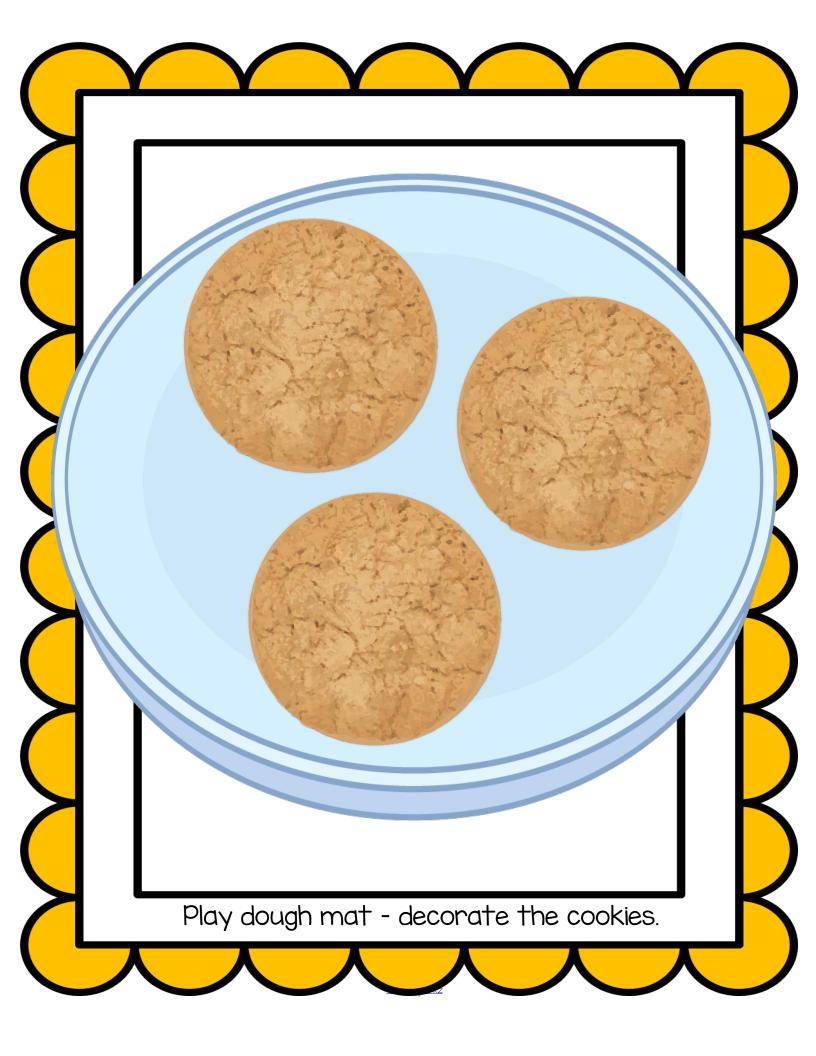
Cookie, cookie, peanut butter.

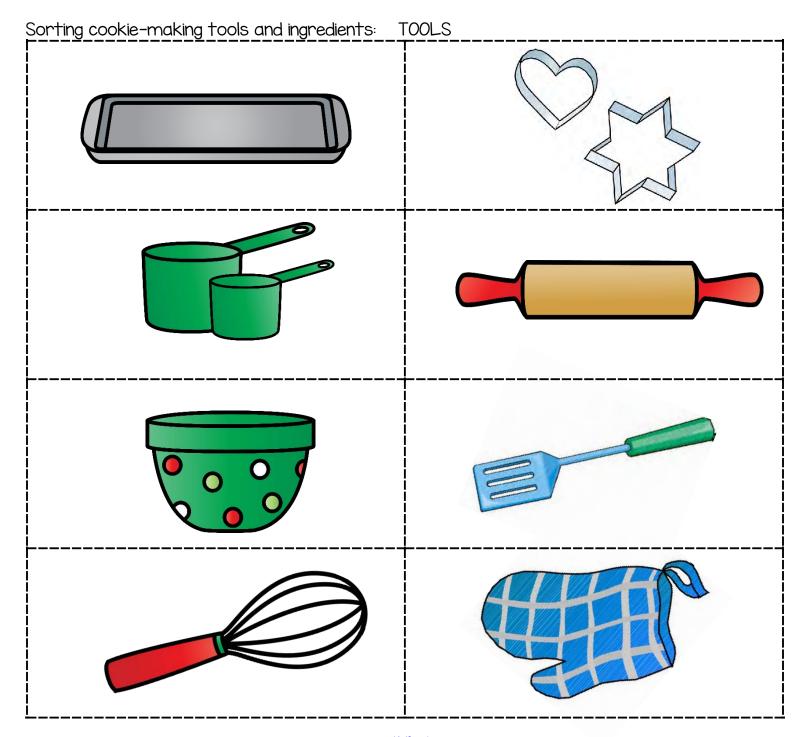


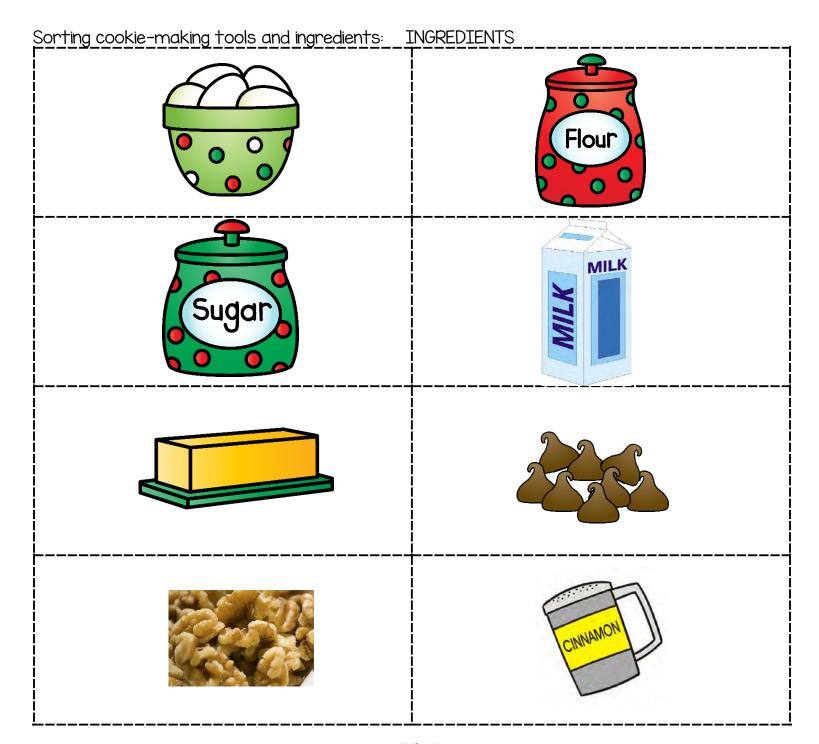


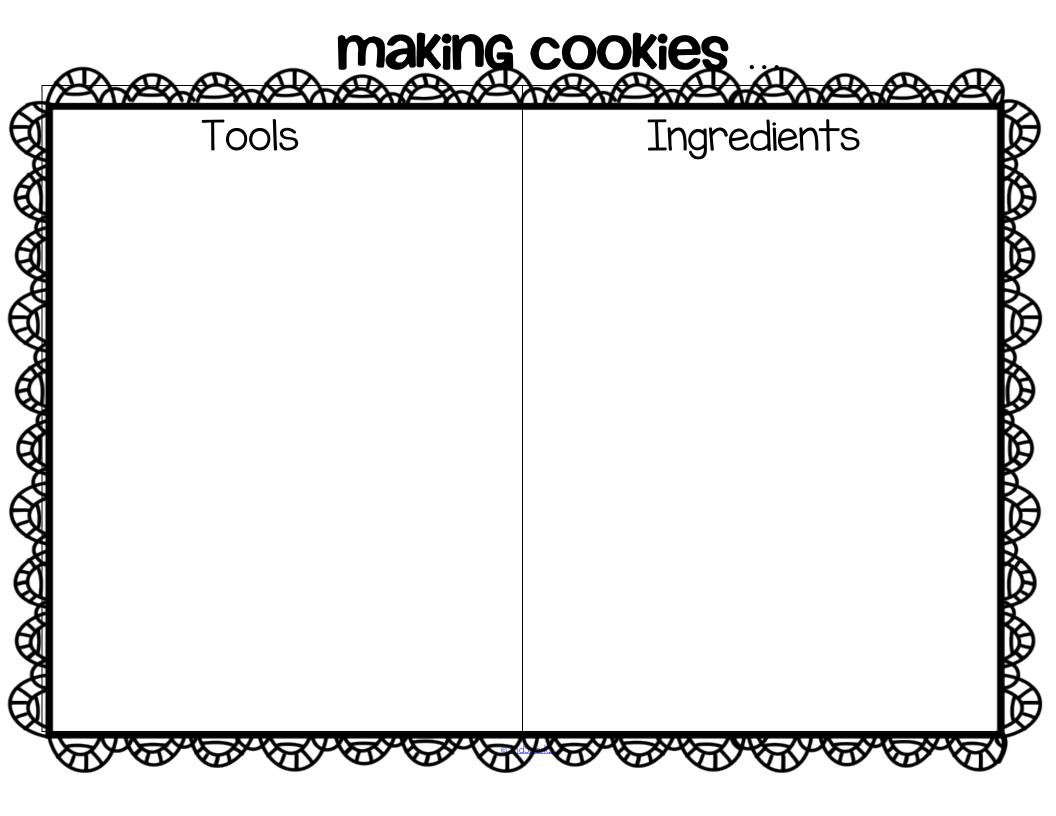


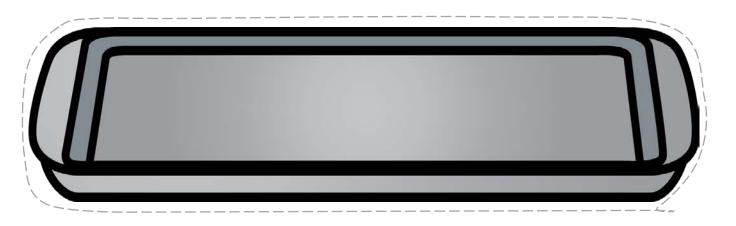




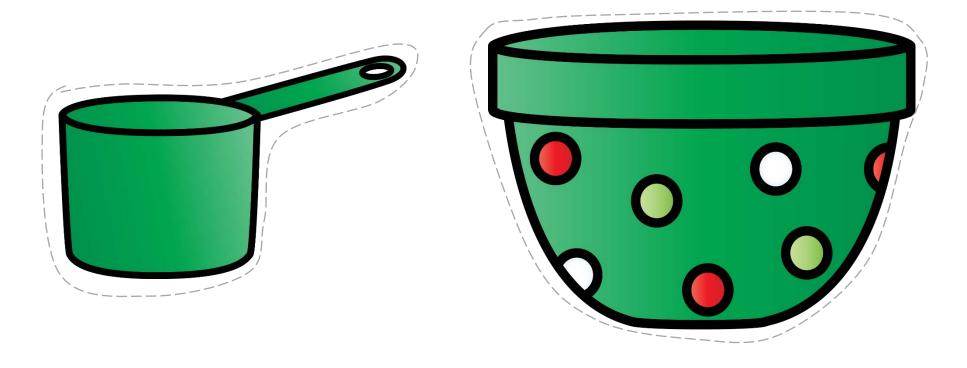


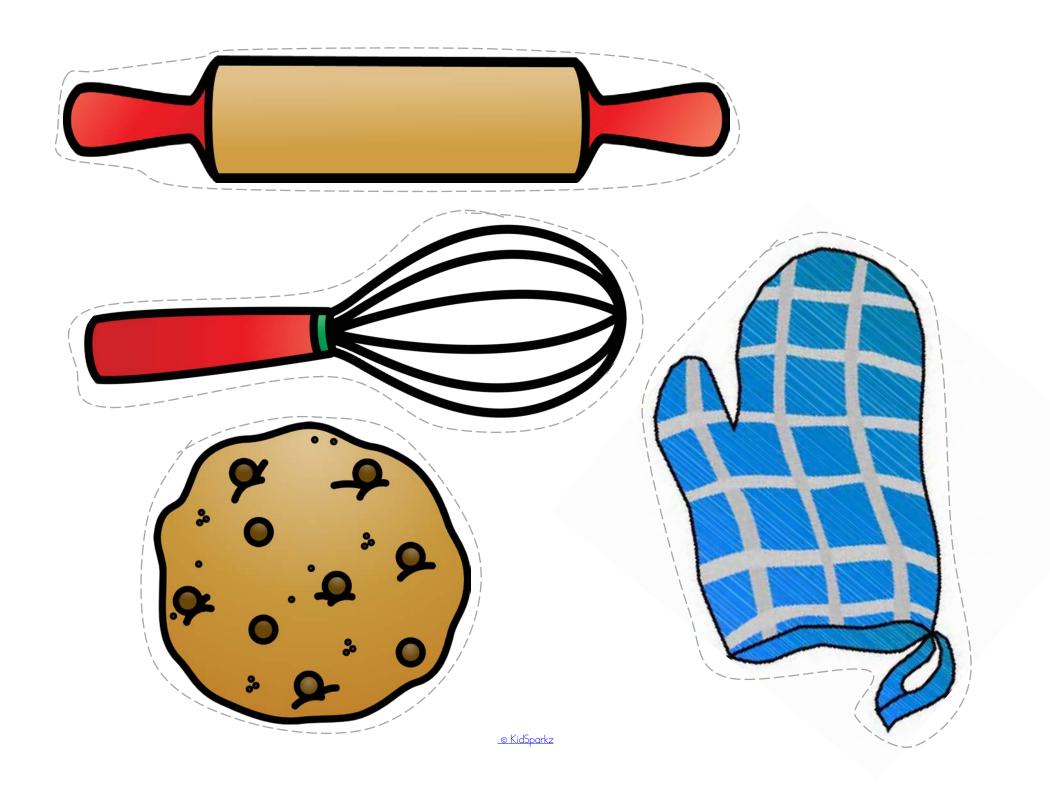


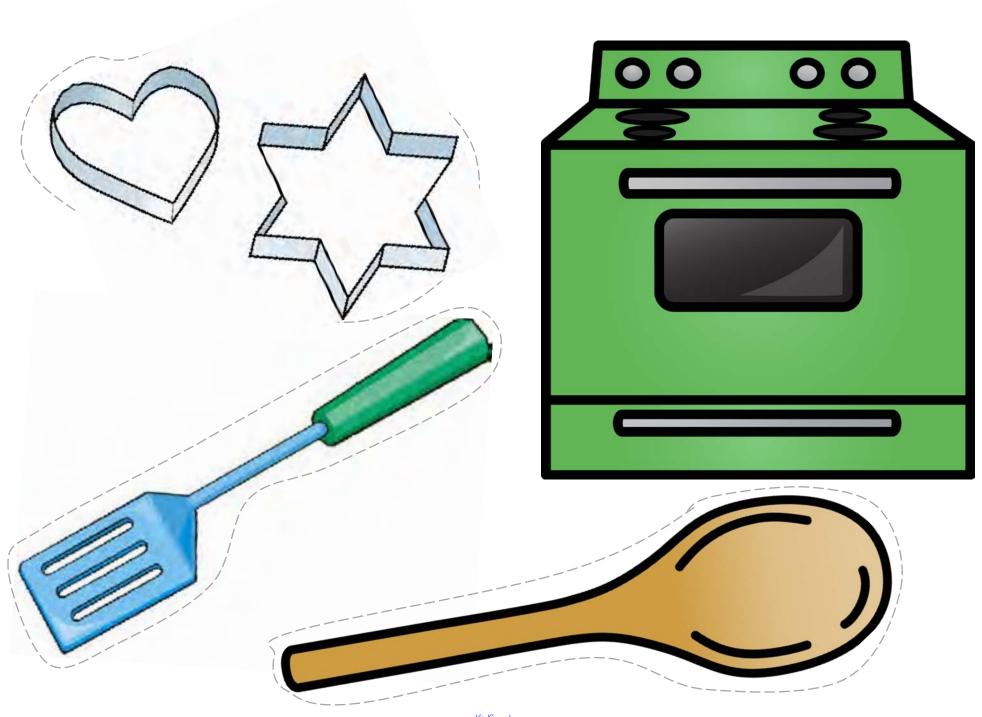




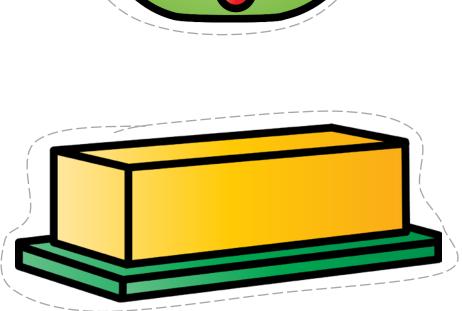
Large manipulatives - print on cardstock, cut out. Use for recognition, vocabulary, hiding and finding, matching games (print 2 copies) and bulletin boards.















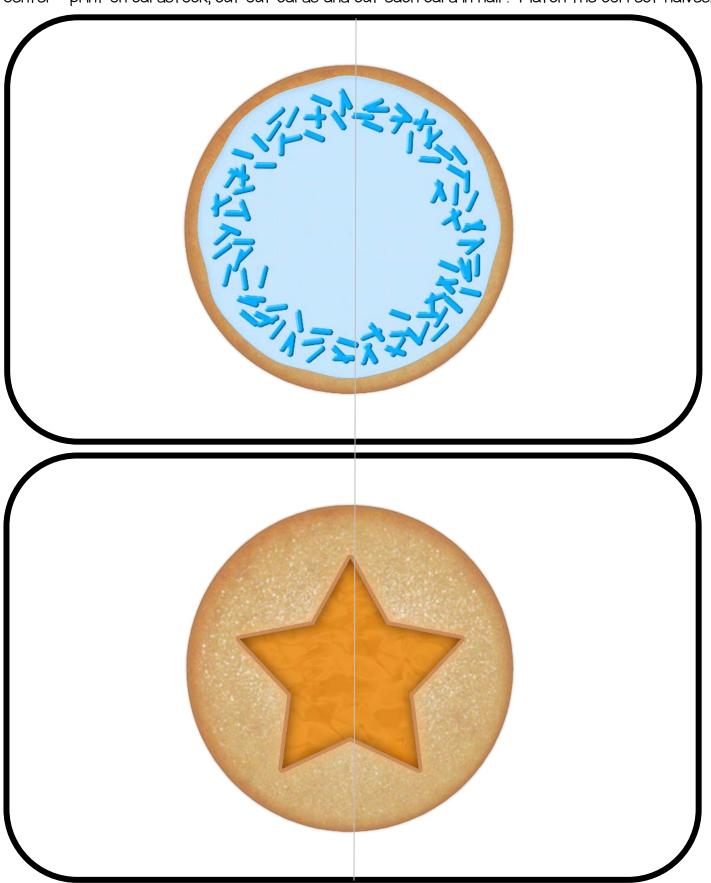


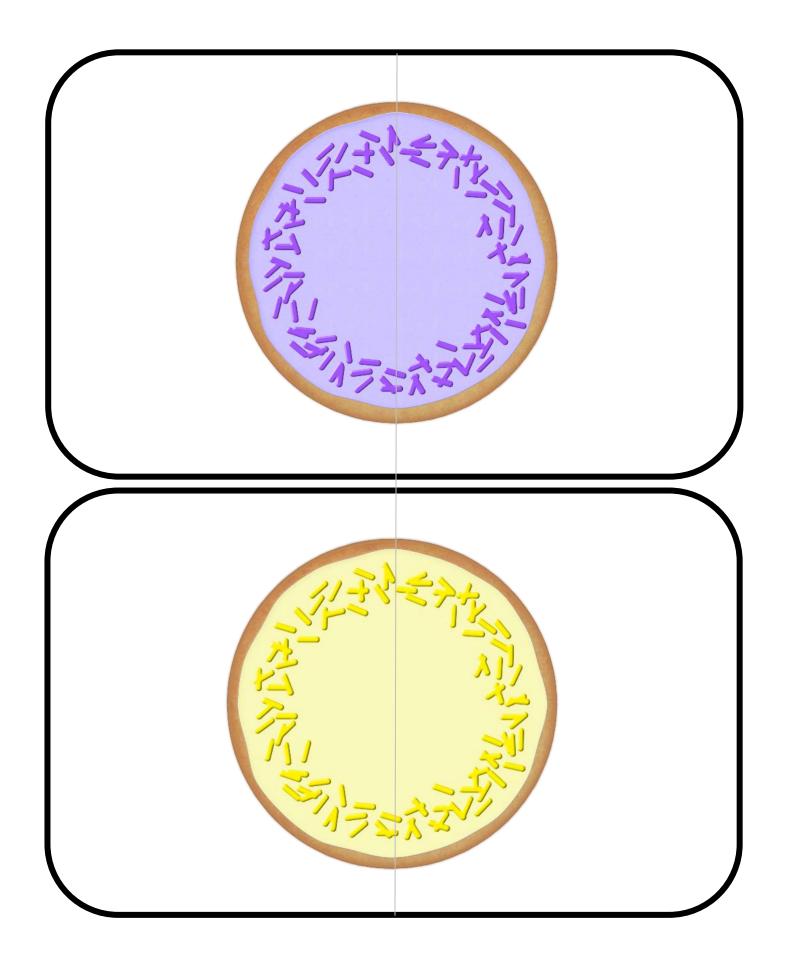


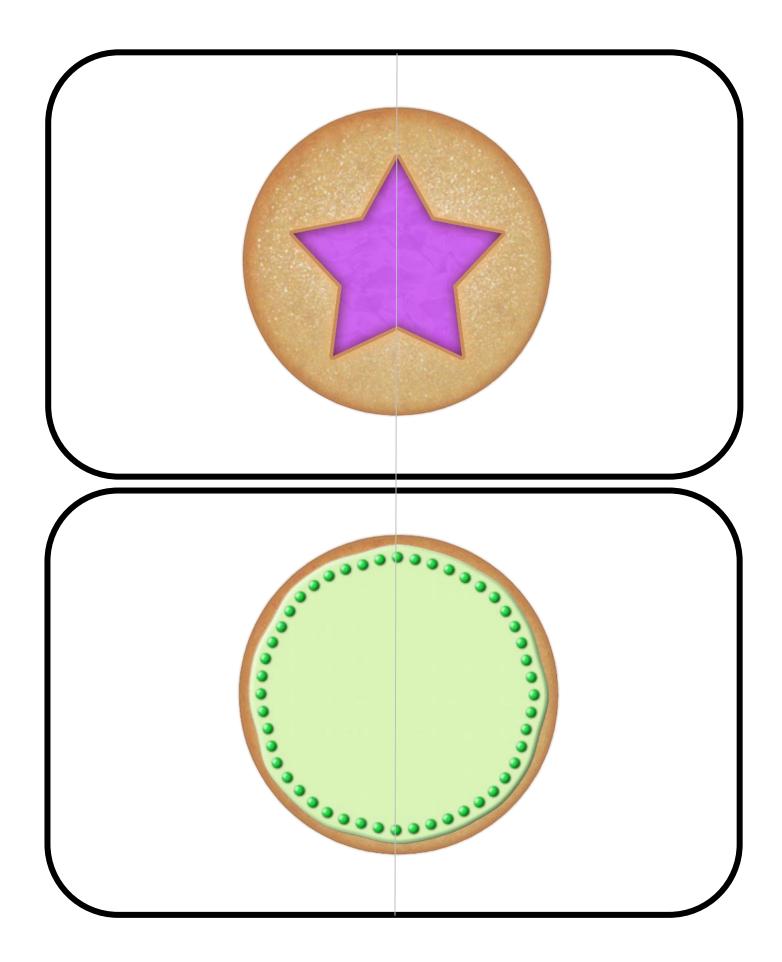


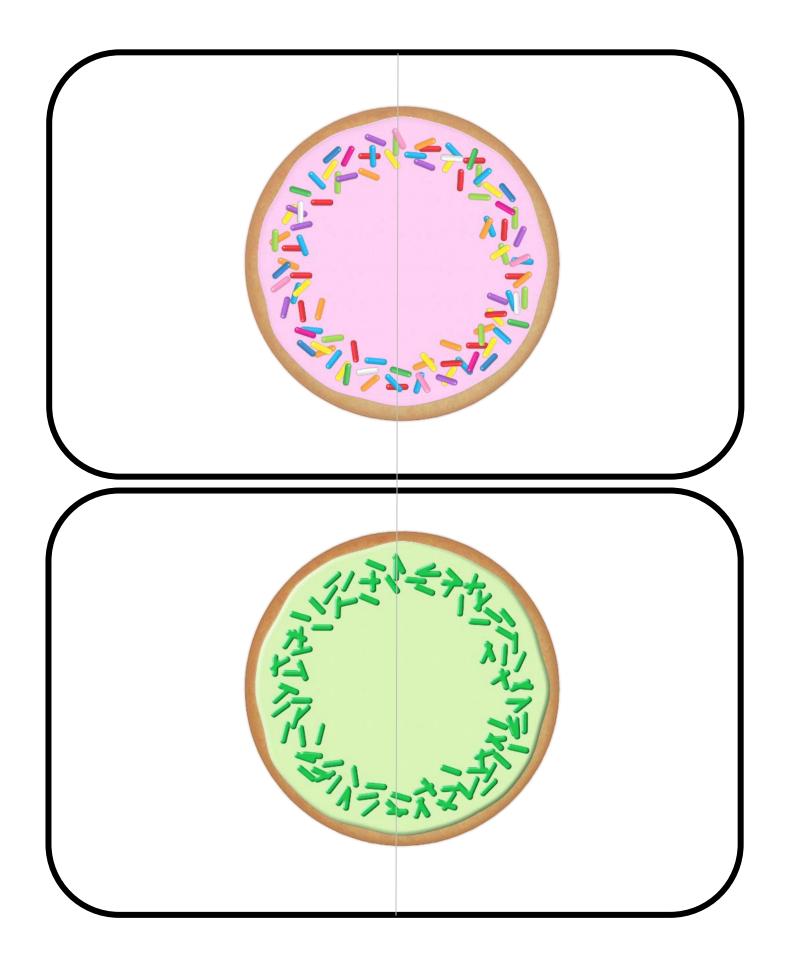
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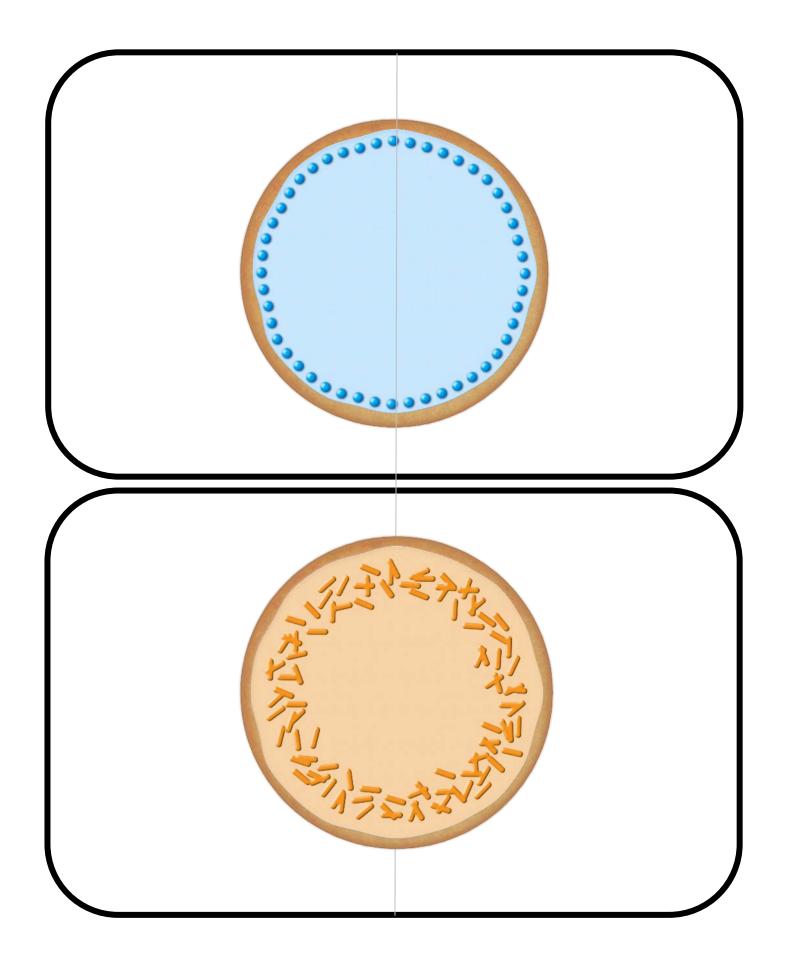
Center - print on cardstock, cut out cards and cut each card in half. Match the correct halves.

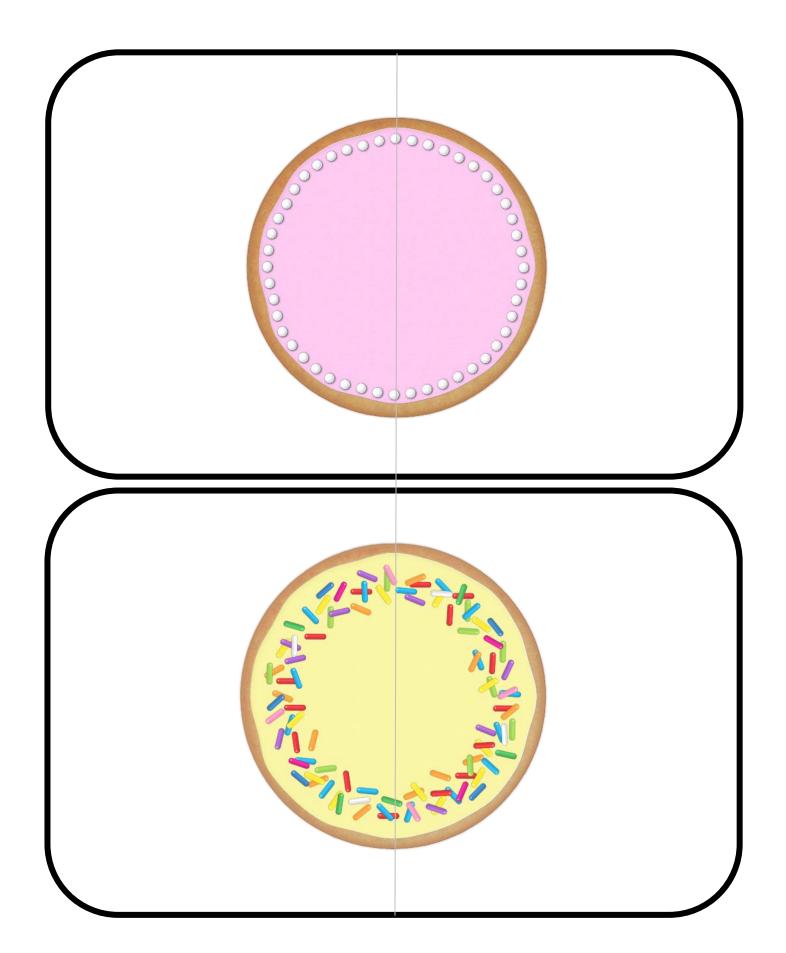






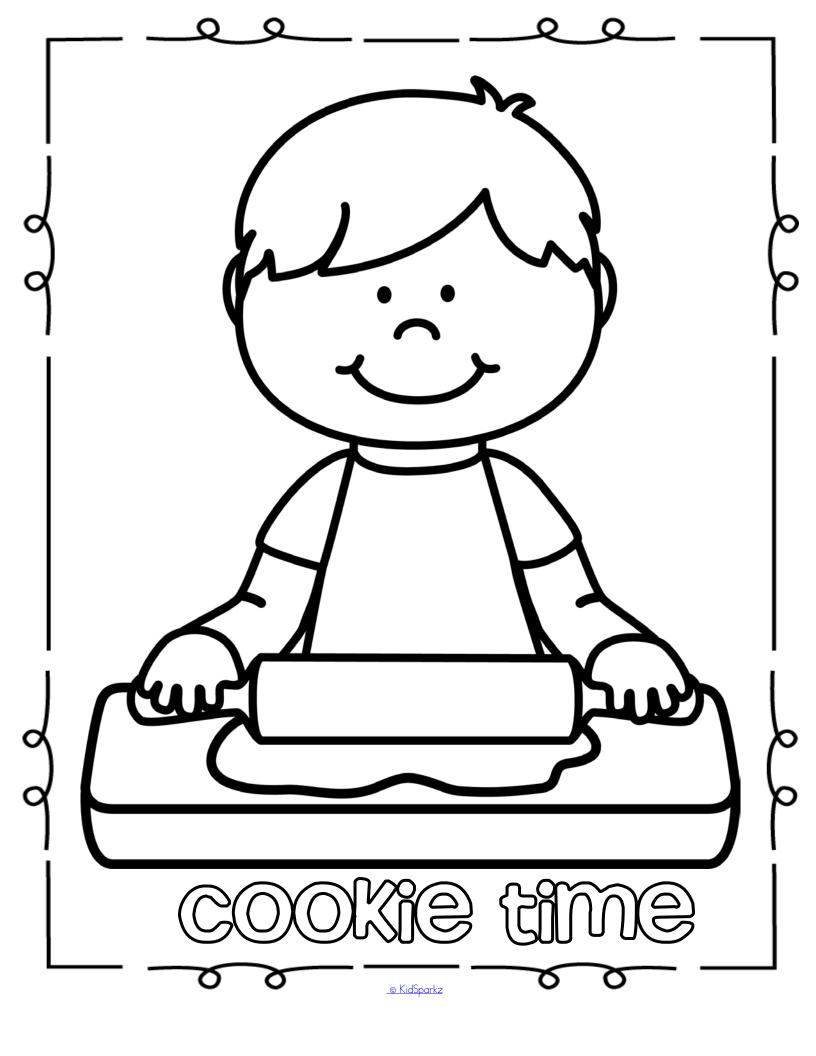














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