

## CHRISTMAS COOKIES FUN

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Every child loves to bake and help in the kitchen, or at the very least be your taste tester. That's why we want to encourage you to reserve time on the calendar for some family fun and gather everyone in the kitchen to make Christmas cookies!

We have been talking about Christmas cookies and using cookie cutters to retell the Christmas story all month. Now you can do the same at home! Just dig out the cookie cutter shapes listed below or borrow some from a neighbor or family member and get ready to make yummy cookies that will also help you share the Christmas story with your child. Just say the words below as you use each cookie cutter.

**ANGEL COOKIE CUTTER:** Say, "An angel told Mary that she was going to have a special baby, and His name would be Jesus!"

**GINGERBREAD MAN COOKIE CUTTER:** Say, "Baby Jesus was born in a stable. Mary wrapped Him up and laid Him in a manger."

**CANDY CANE COOKIE CUTTER:** Say, "An angel told shepherds that Jesus had been born. They ran to see baby Jesus! Then the shepherds told everyone, everywhere that Jesus had been born!"

**STAR COOKIE CUTTER:** Say, "God put a special star in the sky to show the wise men where Jesus was. When the wise men found Jesus, they worshipped Him and gave Him gifts."

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