Grow Guiding GGC Cookie Flower

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Materials;

- ✓ A box of Girl Guide sandwich cookies
- ✓ Heavy weight paper in hot pink, orange, blue, green, red, yellow and purple
- ✓ 24 gauge floral wire
- ✓ 8" wooden skewers. Optional green food colouring to dye skewers.
- ✓ Narrow ribbon (to tie the poem to the stem)
- ✓ Narrow double sided tape (available in dollar stores)
- ✓ Pencil, scissors and a small paintbrush
- ✓ Wire cutters if you have them, otherwise scissors will do.
- ✓ Tacky glue
- ✓ Optional-clear cellophane "treat bags" to put the finished flower in(available in dollar stores)

Method:

- ~ Optional; to dye the skewers green, put water and green food colouring in a dish large enough for the skewers to sit in. Place a plate on top to keep them submerged and let them soak until they are green. If they are not taking the dye, place them in the microwave for a few minutes. The heat will help the food colouring get into the wooden skewers.. Remove from water and let dry.
- ~ Using a knife, carefully split cookie apart trying to keep the icing all on one half.
- ~ Dilute some tacky glue with a small amount of water and "paint" the outside of both cookie pieces. Let dry. (This helps to prevent the cookie from breaking.)
- ~ Once they are dry, put some tacky glue on the icing and glue the two halves back together. Let dry.
- ~ Using the template on the next page for the petals, trace and cut one out in each colour. Trace two of the leaves from green paper using the leaf template.
- ~ Cut seven 2" pieces of wire for the petals.
- ~ Cut seven 1 ½" pieces of double sided tape for petals and one 4" piece for leaves.
- ~ For each petal, stick a piece of tape to one half, lay the wire down the middle of the tape so that ½" sticks out the narrow end and fold the other side of the petal over the wire and tape.
- \sim Once all seven petals are made, insert the $\frac{1}{2}$ " of wire into the icing, around the outside of the cookie, so that the cookie becomes the flowers centre.
- ~ Insert the skewer in the cookie between the orange and pink petals to make the stem.
- ~ Put the double sided tape on one of the leaves down the centre and place the leaf about 1/3 of the way down the stem. Place the other leaf piece over top and stick them together.
- ~ Optional; Slide the cellophane bag over the top of the flower and use twist tie or ribbon to close.
- ~ Print the poem on the next page on brightly coloured paper, punch a hole in the top and tie it to the stem of your Cookie Flower with ribbon or use the twist tie.

Congratulations! You now have a brightly coloured Grow Guiding Cookie Flower!

Poem;~ Feel free to use the whole poem or just the last stanza, if you prefer.

When is a cookie not a cookie? That's a tricky question. When it is used to make a flower, of course! At least that is my suggestion.

This Cookie Flower is a good luck charm It will be blooming everywhere in the days to come. As we all work together to Grow Guiding One...by one...by one!

Petal Template

Leaf Template



