

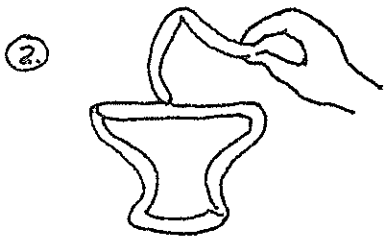
"STAINED GLASS" CHALICE COOKIES

You can make cookies that look like stained glass when you hold them up to the light.!

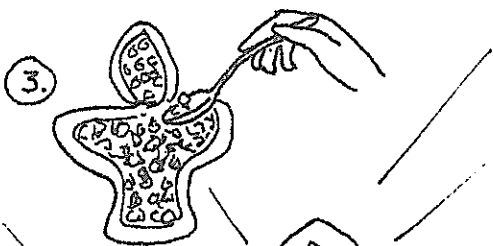
Cookie dough is used as the "lead", and crushed hard candy of different colors is the colored "glass".



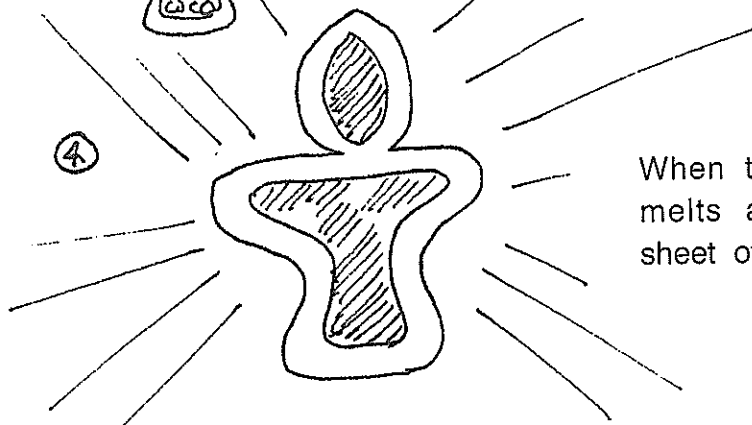
Roll thin "sausage" strips of dough.



Outline a flaming chalice design with the dough strips. (Make the design on aluminum foil over a cookie sheet.) Be sure all the pieces of dough connect together.



Using a small spoon, sprinkle pieces of crushed candy into the spaces. Try not to spill over the edges.



When the cookie dough bakes, the candy melts and spreads into a smooth, even sheet of color!

When you take the chalice cookies out of the oven, **LET THEM COOL** completely before you lift them off the foil. (The candy needs to harden and the dough needs to stiffen.)

DIRECTIONS for "Stained Glass" Cookies

How to crush the candy →

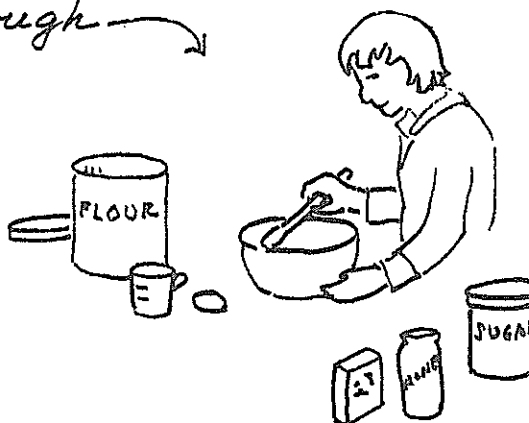


Use lollipops or sour balls or about 5 rolls of colored "life savers". Put the candy in a dish towel or plastic bag, and place it on a hard surface, such as the floor. Pound the candy with a hammer until it cracks into coarse lumps. Work with one color at a time. Put each color of candy into a separate dish.

How to make the cookie dough →

Blend until creamy:

- 1/3 cup vegetable shortening
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 2/3 cup honey
- 1 teaspoon lemon extract



Stir together:

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda (*not* baking powder!)
- 1 teaspoon salt

Add the dry ingredients gradually to the honey mixture.

If the dough seems too sticky to handle, add a little more flour. Chilling the dough in the refrigerator for an hour makes it easier to roll into strips.

Bake at 375° for about 7 to 10 minutes—until the cookies are very light brown and the candy is melted.

Some helpful tips —

Experiment with one small batch of cookies at first, until you know what to expect. The dough expands when it bakes and then shrinks some when it cools.

If you want to hang a chalice cookie, use the end of a plastic drinking straw to make a hole in the dough (about 1/4 inch from the top).

Simple Chalice Cookies

Make sugar cookie dough or buy pre-made sugar. If you're making your own dough have children shape a flat base and a round bowl for the top. If you have a pre-made roll of dough, cut the circle in half and place semi circles on top of each other to make a bowl and a base. Use whatever you want for the flame. Bake according to package or recipe directions. arrange on baking sheets put in the oven when the cookies are finished you can add a piece of candy corn, or something else, for the flame.

Or buy soft baked sugar cookies and cut in half, arrange as above, insert candy flame.