

# Christmas Story Elements Practice

**Run, Run, Gingerbread Man!**

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Once upon a time, a woman baked a gingerbread man. She gave him gumball buttons. Then she put him in the oven. The little old woman opened the oven to check on him. But he jumped out and ran away. He said to the little old woman, "I want to eat you!" But the gingerbread man said, "You can't catch me. I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

He ran down the farm road. He saw a cow. "Stop!" said the cow. "You look like a gingerbread man," said the gingerbread man. "Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me!" The cow ran after him, but she couldn't catch him.

He ran and saw a horse. "Stop!" said the horse. "You look like a gingerbread man," said the gingerbread man. "Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me!" The horse ran after him, but he couldn't catch him either.

He kept running. Soon, he came to a river. He did not know how to cross. "I can help you cross," said the fox. "Hop on my back. I will carry you across." He did not trust the fox, but he could not swim. The fox saw the gingerbread man saw the fox's sharp teeth. He was afraid. The fox wanted to trick him. With a big jump, he hopped over the grass. He ran away as fast as he could. He said, "You can't catch me. I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

**Settings**

Illustrate the character in the story.

Illustrate one of the settings in the story.

Illustrate one of the big events that happened.

# What's Included

Bring Christmas fun into your reading lessons without losing any educational value in your instruction!

Within this set:

🎄 Partner or center activity

🎄 Reading passage with Fold-and-Snip book

Standards Covered:

🎄 RL.K.3- With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.

🎄 RL.1.3- Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, using key details.

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## Run, Run, Gingerbread Man!

Once upon a time, a woman baked a gingerbread man. She gave him gumdrop buttons. Then she put him in the oven. The little old woman opened the oven to check on him. But he jumped out and ran away! "Stop!" shouted the little old woman. "I want to eat you!" The gingerbread man said, "Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me. I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

The gingerbread man ran down the farm road. He saw a cow. "Stop!" said the little old woman. "You look tasty. I want to eat you!" The gingerbread man said, "Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me. I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

Next...

### Christmas Reading

Kindergarten/1st Grade Fiction Reading	I can identify the character, setting, and major events.
RL.K.3 With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.	
RL.1.3 Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, using key details.	

Partner Activity	Students will partner up and practice matching images with story elements. They will draw one story element card from a pile. Then, they will match the story element card to a spot on either the characters, settings, or events mats.	
Independent Activity	First, teacher read the passage out loud. Then, teacher and students will chorally read two more times. Students and teachers will track the words together.  Students will make three cuts on the directions page to create foldable strips. They will glue the left side of the directions page on top of the left side of the illustrations page. Students will illustrate their answers. Then, they will cut out the arms, and glue them to the gingerbread man. These will be glued to the back of the book.	

# Story Elements Matching

Students will use picture clues to match up with selected story elements.



# Gingerbread Man Reading Craft

A fiction passage is given for students to learn about the Gingerbread Man!

Read this once out loud and then chorally twice more with students.

Then, have them create their gingerbread man reading craft.



# How to Assemble Gingerbread Man Craft

🎄 Step 1: Cut out the head, arms, and legs of the gingerbread man.

🎄 Step 2: Cut out the two parts of the flip book.

🎄 Step 3: Trim in between the boxes only on top page to make flip-up pages.

🎄 Step 4: Glue the directions page on top of the illustrations page on the left side.

🎄 Step 5: Glue the gingerbread man parts to the book.

