

Food and Fun: NATIVITY EDITION!

Want to bring a little more Christmas into your home? Make your own Nativity set. There are lots of ways to do this. Here are four ideas to get you started! Be sure to get an adult's help with cooking.

PAINTING ROCKS

Collect rocks of different shapes and sizes. Wash and dry them. Then use paints and markers to make different people and things from the Nativity!



A NATIVITY TREAT

What foods can you use to make a Nativity scene? Popcorn for sheep? Marshmallows to make people? Graham crackers as stable walls?

You could use peanut butter or toothpicks to hold it all together. (Just remember to wash your hands before working with food so you can eat it later!)



SALT-DOUGH ORNAMENTS

4 cups flour
1 cup salt
1 1/2 cups warm water
paint and paintbrushes
string



1. Mix the flour, salt, and water in a bowl. Knead it for 10 minutes. Then roll it out thinly on a floured surface.
2. Now cut out different shapes of the people and things in the Nativity. Poke a small circle in the top so you can hang it.
3. Bake the shapes at 300°F (150°C) for 30 minutes. Let them cool. Then paint away!
4. After the paint has dried, slip a string through the hole in the top and hang up your ornaments.



NEED IDEAS?

Here are some of the important people and things you could have in your Nativity scene:

Mary
Joseph
Baby Jesus
Wise Men
Shepherds
Star
Sheep
Manger
Stable

NO-BAKE SHEEP GRAHAMS

Want a treat while you make your Nativity? Try these fun sheep grahams!

peanut butter or frosting
graham cracker squares
chocolate chips
mini marshmallows
candy eyes (optional)

1. Spread peanut butter or frosting across a graham cracker square.
2. Place a few chocolate chips in the middle of the cracker for the head. Surround the chocolate with marshmallows.
3. Dot peanut butter or frosting on the back of the candy eyes, then place in the middle of the chocolate piece. Enjoy!



Send us pictures of what you make! See how on page 39.