

A kids baking party that fits real life

One decorating activity, treats made ahead, and enough small jobs for the kids. Print these two pages, circle what fits your group, and leave the oven to an adult.

1. Decide before you shop

- ☐ Choose one activity: decorate cooled cookies or cupcakes.
- ☐ Count guests and add a few extra treats for drops or siblings.
- ☐ Ask families about allergies; check every ingredient label.
- ☐ Plan an adult for the food setup and another for the activity if the group is large.

2. Prep before the doorbell

- ☐ Bake treats ahead and cool them completely.
- ☐ Portion frosting and toppings into small bowls or bags.
- ☐ Cover the table and label each child's tray or plate.
- ☐ Put wipes, a trash bag, and take-home bags within reach.

3. Gather the useful supplies

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| ☐ Cooled cookies or cupcakes | ☐ Name labels and a marker |
| ☐ Frosting or icing | ☐ Table covering |
| ☐ Portioned sprinkles or fruit | ☐ Wipes and paper towels |
| ☐ Plates or trays | ☐ Take-home bags or boxes |
| ☐ Small spreaders or icing bags | ☐ Water and a simple snack |

A simple 60-minute party

When	What happens	Adult job
0-10 min	Arrive, wash hands, find a named tray	Welcome guests and check food needs
10-15 min	Show one decorating example	Explain portions and the finished-treat spot
15-40 min	Decorate one or two treats	Refill small bowls; handle any sharp or hot items
40-50 min	Snack or simple game	Move finished treats to dry or pack
50-60 min	Pack treats and tidy up	Help with bags, hand washing, and cleanup

Your party worksheet

Fill this in before you buy supplies. Keep it on the counter when guests arrive.

Date and start time

Age range and guest count

Main activity

Treats and how many

Food/allergy notes

Jobs to assign

☐ Adult 1: food, allergies, and hot tools

☐ Adult 2: decorating station and refills

☐ Kids: place labels and trays

☐ Kids: decorate cooled treats

☐ Kids: help pack their own treats

☐ Everyone: five-minute cleanup

Set up these five spots

☐ Hand washing

☐ Decorating table

☐ Finished-treat tray

☐ Snack and water

☐ Cleanup and take-home bags

What I still need to buy or make

1.

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The goal is a good time, not a perfect counter. Keep topping portions small, make treats ahead, and give every child one clear job.