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Imagine Your Story:
The Gingerbread Man

Do you know the story about the Gingerbread man? How a little old woman baked a gingerbread man because she and the little old man were hungry?
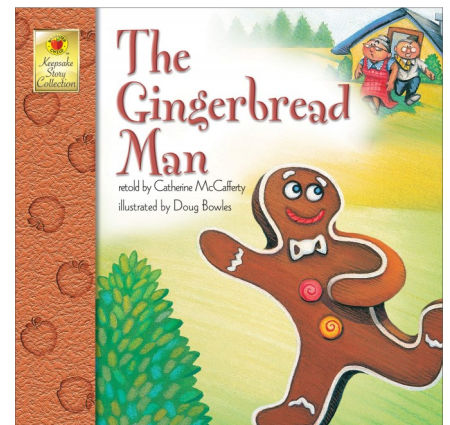
But the Gingerbread Man came to life and not wanting to be eaten, ran away. He was chased by a dog, a pig, a cow and a horse, all wanting a taste of gingerbread.

Soon the Gingerbread Man came to a river that he could not cross. Never fear, a sly fox was near, and offered to help the Gingerbread Man across the river, only to gobble him up when they reached the other side.

"Run, run, as fast as you can! You can't catch me, I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

Sing along with this familiar refrain as we follow the Gingerbread Man on his ill-fated journey.

The Gingerbread Man
retold by Catherine McCafferty
illustrated by Doug Bowles

STEM IDEA: Simple Machines– Wedges

Supplies Provided:

- Paper Gingerbread Man cut out

Other Supplies from Home:

- 1 foot square piece of aluminum foil
- Tub of water large enough to float aluminum foil boat across
- Scissors
- Crayons or markers

Directions: *Save the Gingerbread Man!*

Cut out and color your Gingerbread Man.
Using only the aluminum foil, and your knowledge of how boats are shaped, create a boat that floats to help the Gingerbread Man get across the water. **Don't let your Gingerbread Man get wet!**

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RUN, RUN AS FAST AS YOU CAN!

Have a grown up help you create an outdoor "obstacle course". Perhaps you can measure out distances to run, hop, skip,or leapfrog. Add hopscotch, wavy lines to walk on, or balance on. Run as fast as you can to complete your course.