

# AUDIO FAIRY TALES



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## THE GINGERBREAD MAN



Once upon a time, there lived an old woman with her husband in a little old house. The couple had no children. They felt lonely. So, one day the woman decided to make a boy of gingerbread. Dear husband, I shall bake a gingerbread man today. She got everything ready. Then, she carefully mixed the batter rolled out the dough and cut out a very nice gingerbread man. Woow!.. ¡What a fine looking gingerbread man it is! I shall bake it now. The old woman put him in the oven to bake. She waited for a little time. Then she went to the oven again. Woow ! This smells delicious. She added icing for his hair and mouth. She used candies for eyes and cherries for his buttons. After it was fully done, up jumped the gingerbread man. the woman was shocked to see the gingerbread man ran. Don't eat me! He ran out the window. Stop ....Stop....Run, run as fast as you can. No one can catch me because I'm the gingerbread man.

The old woman ran after but they could not catch him and so the gingerbread man ran and ran. Stop....While running the cow saw him. You smell so fresh. Just fine enough to eat. I ran away from an old woman. And, I can ran away from a fat cow like you! I definitely can! And the cow started to chase the little man. But the gingerbread man ran faster. Ran, ran as fast as you can. No one can catch me because I 'm the gingerbread man. The cow ran after the gingerbread man along with the old woman but she could not catch him. the gingerbread man kept running.

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And soon he met a pig on his way. You look so tasty! I wanna eat you right away. Try harder you dirty pig. You can't catch me. I ran away from an old woman. I ran away from a cow. And I can surely run away from you! I can! Run, run as fast as you can! No one can catch me because I 'm the gingerbread man. The pig joined the woman and the cow and to chase the gingerbread man but he could not catch him.

The gingerbread man ran and ran. While he ran, the hen saw him. Oh what a meal! I shall feed this to my little ones. The hen ran behind the gingerbread man. You look just fine to peck for dinner. I'm going to take you home to my little ones. Mr. gingerbread man. I ran away from an old woman. I ran away from the cow. I ran away from the pig. And I can run away from you little creature! I can....

Ran, ran as fast as you can. No one can catch me because I 'm the gingerbread man.

The chicken ran after the gingerbread man along with the group. But she could not catch him. The gingerbread man was so proud of himself. What a slow coach these people are? As he ran ahead he slowed down as he saw a river. He was scared that he would get soggy in that water.

Near the river, he saw a fox sipping on some water. What a wonderful meal for the stomach today! The fox too ran behind the gingerbread man!... Hey ... you young man. Can we be friends.. if you don't mind. This is the first time the gingerbread man had heard something like this. He was very pleased. Well, Mr. Fox I don't mind but here's one condition. Go ahead, Mr. gingerbread. Could you help me cross this river? Yes, young man. Why not? The gingerbread man was so relieved. Come on Mr. gingerbread man. Get on my back. I shall help you cross the river. The gingerbread man got onto his back. And right after the cunning fox reached the other end of the river. He rolled into the air and open his big mouth. Snap and in went the gingerbread man. Indeed, he was very tasty. That was the end of the gingerbread man

Source: <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/stories/folktale/gingerbreadman/story/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=baiQw8rJc7Q>

**TASK 1**

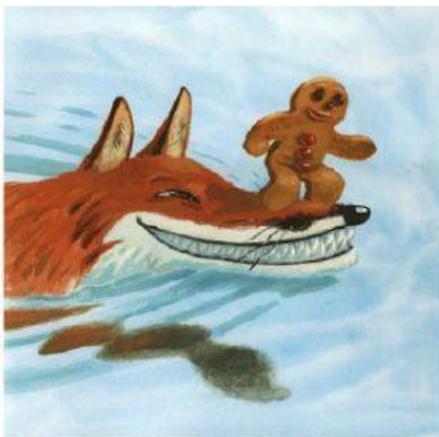
**TOPIC:** The gingerbread man fairy tale

**OBJECTIVE:** To practice listening comprehension skill for supporting details.

**Pre listening**

**Activity 1:** Slides show: Look at the pictures and match the correct word with the picture..

old man - old woman - fox - animals and bread - dog – beautiful girl





**While listening**

**Activity 2: Listen to the story and tick the words that you hear.**

<b>Bake</b>	<b>Kitchen</b>	<b>Garden</b>
<b>big</b>	<b>Fox</b>	<b>River</b>
<b>man</b>	<b>Pool</b>	<b>Frog</b>
<b>oven</b>	<b>Pig</b>	<b>Cake</b>

**Activity 3: Listen and number the sequences in the order you hear them.**














**Activity 4: Listen and choose the correct sentence you hear.**

- a) The little old woman and the little old man were hungry.  
The little old woman and the little old man weren't hungry.
- b) she put the gingerbread man in the oven to bake.  
He put the gingerbread man in the oven to bake
- c) The gingerbread man ran too fast.  
The gingerbread man ran too slow.
- d) You can't catch me, I'm the gingerbread man.  
You can catch me, I'm the gingerbread man.
- e) The cow ate the gingerbread man.  
The fox ate the gingerbread man.



**POST LISTENING**

**ACTIVITY 5: Listen and match the two parts of the sentences**

There were an old woman and an old man	lived in a little cottage near the river.
The gingerbread man jumped up and ran shouting,	by the barn
The gingerbread man passed a cow	Don't eat me
he fox flipped the gingerbread man into	the air, snapped his mouth shut, and ate.

**Source:** Doff, 2015. Cambridge English Empower.