

The Gingerbread Man

Characters: Narrator, Gingerbread Man, Old Woman, Cow, Fox

(Old Woman stands at a pretend oven, taking out a tray and smiling.)

Scene 1: The Gingerbread Man Runs

Narrator:

Once upon a time, an old woman baked a gingerbread man.

Old Woman: (Sniffing the air) Mmm! What a yummy cookie!

(Suddenly, the Gingerbread Man jumps up, wiggling excitedly.)

Gingerbread Man:

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

(Gingerbread Man runs in a small circle as Old Woman chases.)

Old Woman:

Come back here, little cookie!

Narrator:

The Gingerbread Man ran and ran until he met a cow.

Scene 2: The Cow Tries to Catch Him

Cow: (Licking lips)
Stop! I want to eat you!

Gingerbread Man: (Shaking head)

Run, run, as fast as you can!

You can't catch me, I'm the Gingerbread Man!

(Gingerbread Man runs as Cow chases, then stops near a pretend river.)

Scene 3: The Fox Tricks Him

Narrator:

The Gingerbread Man came to a river. He couldn't swim!

Fox: (Smiling slyly)

I can help you cross! Hop on my tail.

(Gingerbread Man hesitates, then carefully steps onto the fox's tail.)

Narrator:

But soon, the water rose.

Fox:

Climb to my back!

(Gingerbread Man moves up.)

Fox:

Climb to my nose!

(Gingerbread Man climbs, looking nervous.)

Narrator:

And then... SNAP!

(Fox pretends to chomp, and Gingerbread Man gasps, freezing in place.)

Fox: (Patting tummy) Mmm, delicious!

Narrator:

And that was the end of the Gingerbread Man!