

COOKIES IN A JAR

Make "COOKIES IN A JAR" or Sand-art brownies and deliver to outstanding women in your ward -- Bishop's wife (or counselor), Relief Society President or presidency, Primary President or presidency, Stake YW Pres, etc . . . Thanking them for their fine example of being outstanding women. You could make cards with stickers or stamps to be given with the cookies in a jar, also.

RECIPES FOR COOKIES IN A JAR:

Chocolate Chip Cookie

- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1 1/2 cups chocolate chips
- 2 cups flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 wide-mouth quart jar

Mix the salt, baking powder and flour; then layer the ingredients, as listed above in the jar-- packing each ingredient before adding the next one.

****Attach these instructions to the jar****

Chocolate Chip Cookies

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F
2. Sift dry ingredients to separate the chocolate chips from other ingredients.
3. Beat 1 cup butter in a medium bowl. Mix in sifted ingredients.
4. In a small bowl, beat 1 egg with 1 teaspoon of vanilla. Mix beaten egg mixture into butter. Stir in chocolate chips.
5. Drop by teaspoons onto a greased cookie sheet. Bake for 8 minutes, or until done.

Yield: 4 dozen cookies

Peanut Butter Cookies

- 1 cup firmly packed dark brown sugar
- 1 1/2 cups firmly packed powdered sugar (wipe inside of jar after adding this layer)
- 3/4 cup cocoa powder
- 1 1/2 cups flour mixed with 1 tsp baking powder and 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 wide-mouth quart jar

Layer ingredients in order given in jar. Be sure to pack each layer before adding the next. It may fit very tightly.

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Peanut Butter Cookies

1. Empty jar of cookie mix into large mixing bowl. Use your hands to thoroughly blend mix.
2. Add: 1 stick butter (1/2 cup) softened, 1/2 cup creamy peanut butter, 1 egg slightly beaten, and 1 tsp vanilla.
3. Mix until completely blended.
4. Shape into balls and place 2-inches apart on a ungreased cookie sheet. Press balls down with a fork.
5. Bake at 350 degrees F for 9-11 minutes. Cool 5 minutes, then transfer to cooling rack.

Yield: 3 dozen cookies

Brownie Mix in a Jar

2 1/4 cups sugar

1/3 cup cocoa powder (wipe inside of jar after adding this layer)

1/2 cup chopped pecans

1 1/4 cups flour mixed with 1 tsp baking powder and 1 tsp salt

1 wide-mouth quart jar

Layer ingredients in jar. Press each layer firmly before adding the next layer.

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Brownie Mix

1. Empty jar into large mixing bowl. Blend thoroughly.
2. Add: 1 1/2 sticks melted butter (3/4 cup), 4 eggs slightly beaten
3. Mix until blended
4. Spread into a sprayed (greased) 9x13 baking pan.
5. Bake at 350 degrees F for 30 minutes. Cool completely in pan.

Yield: 2 dozen brownies

ALTERNATE ACTIVITY: Have the Relief Society president come and talk to the girls about RS and what this organization does, and the history of it. Have her discuss the similarities of the young women theme and the new Relief Society declaration.

Refreshments: Cookies/brownies & milk