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Make & Takes Feed Milling - Cookie Activity

Modeling feed making by cookie baking







Define Feed	Milling	(fill in blanks): combining
to make		_ for animals to meet their
	_ needs.	

Before starting, watch the NC State Feed Mill virtual tour* to learn how feed is made and guide you through the baking activity.

Question: Does following a cookie recipe mimic making feed?

Hypothesis: Combining cookie ingredients is similar to combining animal feed ingredients.

Materials:

- Oven, Mixer, Whisk, Cookie Sheet, Oven Mitt, Wooden Spoon, Spatula
- Bowl 1 Ingredients: ½C butter, 3/₆C sugar, 3/₆C brown sugar, ½tsp vanilla
- 1 Large Egg. Do you know how to candle an egg to test for freshness?
- Bowl 2 Ingredients: 1 1/3C flour, ½tsp baking soda, ½tsp salt
- Special Ingredients: 1C chocolate chips & ½C Your Choice (e.g. sprinkles)

Method:

- 1. Preheat oven to 375° F
- 2. Mix Bowl 1 Ingredients until creamy
- 3. Add Egg. Do you know best practice for cracking an egg?
- 4. Whisk Bowl 2 Ingredients and gradually add to Bowl 1
- 5. Add Special Ingredients to Bowl 1 & stir twice with spoon. *Is it well mixed?*
- 6. Finish stirring until mixing is complete
- 7. Drop ~20 rounded tablespoons of dough onto ungreased cookie sheet
- 8. Bake for 9-11 minutes or until golden brown. Cool for 2 minutes. Snap a photo and enjoy!

Bonus Questions

- 1. What units are used to measure cookie vs. feed mill ingredients?
- 2. What types of major, minor, or micro ingredients are in poultry or animal feed vs. cookie batch?
- 3. How is it determined that feed is well mixed?
- 4. What types of human food ingredients do animals also enjoy?

Learn more at:

*go.ncsu.edu/FeedMilling-Cookies

