

## Chapter Seven; Spy Decoder Cookies



Make these delicious decoder cookies to uncover secret messages!

Passing secret messages is a critical job of any spy. Here is a fun way to pass messages and enjoy a treat as well!

### Materials Needed:

- Store bought sugar cookie dough or homemade sugar cookie dough
- Crushed red candies (ex. Red Hots, or Jolly Ranchers)
- Baking pan
- Cooking spray
- Foil
- Plastic baggie
- Something to crush the red candies until they are candy dust
- Assorted markers (red, orange, pink), and a **blue pen**.

### To Make Decoder Cookies:

- Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
- Make your cookie dough into little thin flat coils and use them to make a large circle on your baking pan. Add a long handle of dough to complete your magnifying glass.
- Crush the red candies inside a baggie until they are in very small pieces like dust.
- Add the crushed red candies to the center of your circle.
- Place in oven on a baking pan covered with greased foil
- Bake for 7-8 minutes... or until edges just barely start to brown.
- Let cool and then carefully lift off the pan with a spatula.

- While the cookies are cooling, grab some paper and write a secret message on the paper with blue ink. Color over the blue message with designs and other words using orange, red, and pink pens/markers until the blue message is barely visible.
- Once the decoder cookie is cool, lay it on top of the secret message.
- Only the blue secret message should be visible through the red of the magnifying glass!
- You can reuse the decoder cookies again and again and write new messages, or you can just eat them!

