



## Cookie Dough Maps

**Create a map that gets a lot of attention but doesn't clutter the school room.**

**This will have your students Jumpin' about Geography!** The cookie dough recipe is designed to hold its shape so it doesn't spread during baking.

### No Fail Sugar Cookie Recipe

Preheat Oven to 350

6 cups flour  
3 tsp. baking powder  
2 cups butter or margarine  
2 cups sugar  
2 eggs  
2 tsp. vanilla or almond extract (or other flavoring)  
1 tsp. salt

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs and vanilla. Mix well. Mix dry ingredients gradually adding to butter mixture until all flour is mixed in and dough packs together.

Place spoonfuls of dough between two sheets of waxed paper. Roll to desired thickness. Peel off top layer and place ungreased cookie sheet over top. Hold the edges of the pan and paper tightly and flip so the pan is on bottom. Chill. Repeat until all dough is used.

Cut out a paper outline map (see below) and place on cookie dough. Cut cookie dough to the map shape. (Roll the leftover dough out for more cookies).

Bake until edges are browning. Times will vary depending on cookie size. 10 minutes for small shapes.

After cooling use frosting or candies to draw shapes of rivers, mountains etc.

- Chocolate chips for the mountain ranges
- Round cinnamon candies for capital cities
- Candy coated chocolates for other important cities
- Thin licorice for rivers
- Blue frosting or blue-striped gum for lakes
- Chocolate sprinkles for deserts

Outline maps online:

National Geographic (hint: check 'basic') < <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/xpeditions/atlas/>>

World Atlas Outline Maps < <http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/testmaps/maps.htm>>

Education Place Outline Maps <<http://www.eduplace.com/ss/maps/>>