



# The Gingerbread Man

**Scene:** By a fast flowing river

**Characters:** Mr Fox ,The Gingerbread Man

**Mr Fox:** So you need me to take you across the river?

**The Gingerbread Man:** Yes please, but I don't have any money to pay you with.

**Mr Fox:** Don't worry about that little Gingerbread Man. Just hop on my back so you don't get wet and we'll be on the other side of the river as quick as a flash.

**The Gingerbread Man:** Oh thank you Mr Fox. You are kind.

*[Part way across the river]*

**The Gingerbread Man:** Mr Fox, Mr Fox, the water is creeping higher and higher and I am going to get wet. What should we do?

**Mr Fox:** Don't worry about that little Gingerbread Man. Just skip onto my tail so you don't get wet and we'll be on the other side of the river in the blink of an eye.

**The Gingerbread Man:** Oh thank you Mr Fox. You are very kind.

*[Half way across the river]*

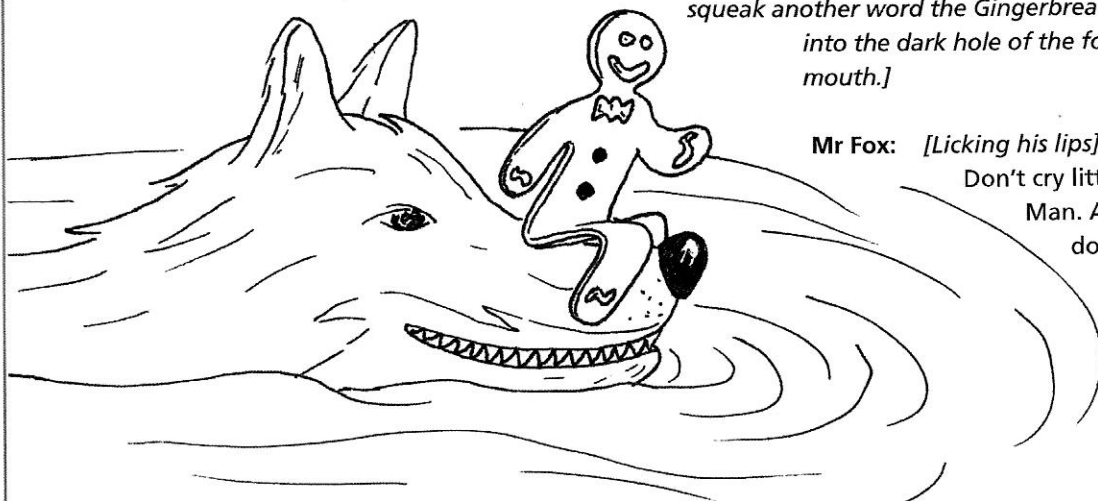
**The Gingerbread Man:** Mr Fox, Mr Fox, the water is sneaking higher and higher and I am going to get wet. What should we do?

**Mr Fox:** Don't worry about that little Gingerbread Man. Just jump on my nose so you don't get wet and we'll be on the other side of the river in two shakes of a dog's tail.

**The Gingerbread Man:** Oh thank you Mr Fox. You are the kindest person I have ever....

*[Suddenly Mr Fox flips his nose and the Gingerbread Man flies through the air like an acrobat. Before he can squeak another word the Gingerbread Man disappears into the dark hole of the fox's wide-open mouth.]*

**Mr Fox:** *[Licking his lips]* Mmmmmmm!  
Don't cry little Gingerbread Man. At least now you don't have to worry about getting your feet wet.



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## Play Script

1) How does the gingerbread man get on the fox's back:

a) hop

b) skip

c) jump

2) Do you think the gingerbread man can swim? Why?

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3) Do you think the gingerbread man trusts Mr Fox? Why do you think this?

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4) What does this story tell us about Mr Fox? Is he clever or stupid, kind or nasty, a hero or a villain?

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5) In the end is the gingerbread man alive or dead? How do you know this?

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6) What did the Fox do that tells you he enjoyed eating the Gingerbread man?

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7) Write down the 3 words that best describe the two main characters.

Mr Fox =			
Gingerbread Man =			

8) Read the text and answer **true** and **false**.

	True	False
The text is a Play Script		
It is kind of Mr Fox to take the Gingerbread Man across the river		
In the end Mr Fox eats the Gingerbread man		

9) Does the water rise higher and higher quickly or slowly? What words tell you this?

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10) Do you think the Gingerbread Man was silly to trust Mr Fox? Why?

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**Write a different ending to the play script!**

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