

Zayn & Zoey

VISIT THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY



As a Mother's Day surprise, Zayn and Zoey baked Mom a yummy chocolate cake. The twins were inquisitive to learn about where chocolate came from, so they visited a chocolate factory. There, they saw how chocolate was made and understood the process involved in bringing cacao pod from farm and turn it into delicious chocolate.

Let's Chat!

After reading the book, let's discuss the story together and see how much of the book you remember!

- What is chocolate made out of?
- What colour are the cacao pods?
- How do cacao seeds taste?
- What change does fermentation bring about in the cacao seeds?
- How much time does the drying process take?
- Where are the seeds roasted?
- Which machine separates the husk from the seeds?
- What is the outcome of winnowing?
- What gives chocolate its wonderful richness?
- How is chocolate tempered?

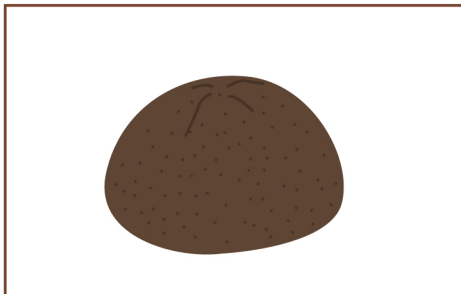
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HANDS ON FUN!



Here are some fun activities related to chocolate to do with children.



Chocolate Play Dough

Chocolate is called 'Food of the Gods' for good reason! Smell it, feel it, and watch the brown gooey richness of chocolate through this playful sensory activity.

*Adult assistance required for this activity.

Things you need:

- 2 cups of flour
- 1-1/2 cups of boiling water
- 1/2 cup cocoa
- 1/2 cup of salt
- 3 tablespoons of oil
- 1/2 teaspoon of vanilla essence
- Large bowl
- Whisk

Steps to follow:



1. Mix all the dry ingredients into a large bowl.

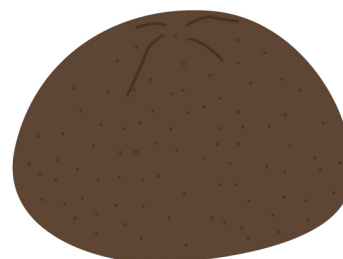


2. Add the oil and vanilla essence and mix well.



3. Now slowly add the boiling water and keep whisking until a ball starts to form.

4. Let it cool for a few minutes and knead the dough. Mould it, roll it, and make lovely creations from the chocolate dough!



Marshmallow Structures with Hot Chocolate

Let's get crafting and building with some yummy marshmallow figures.

Things you need:

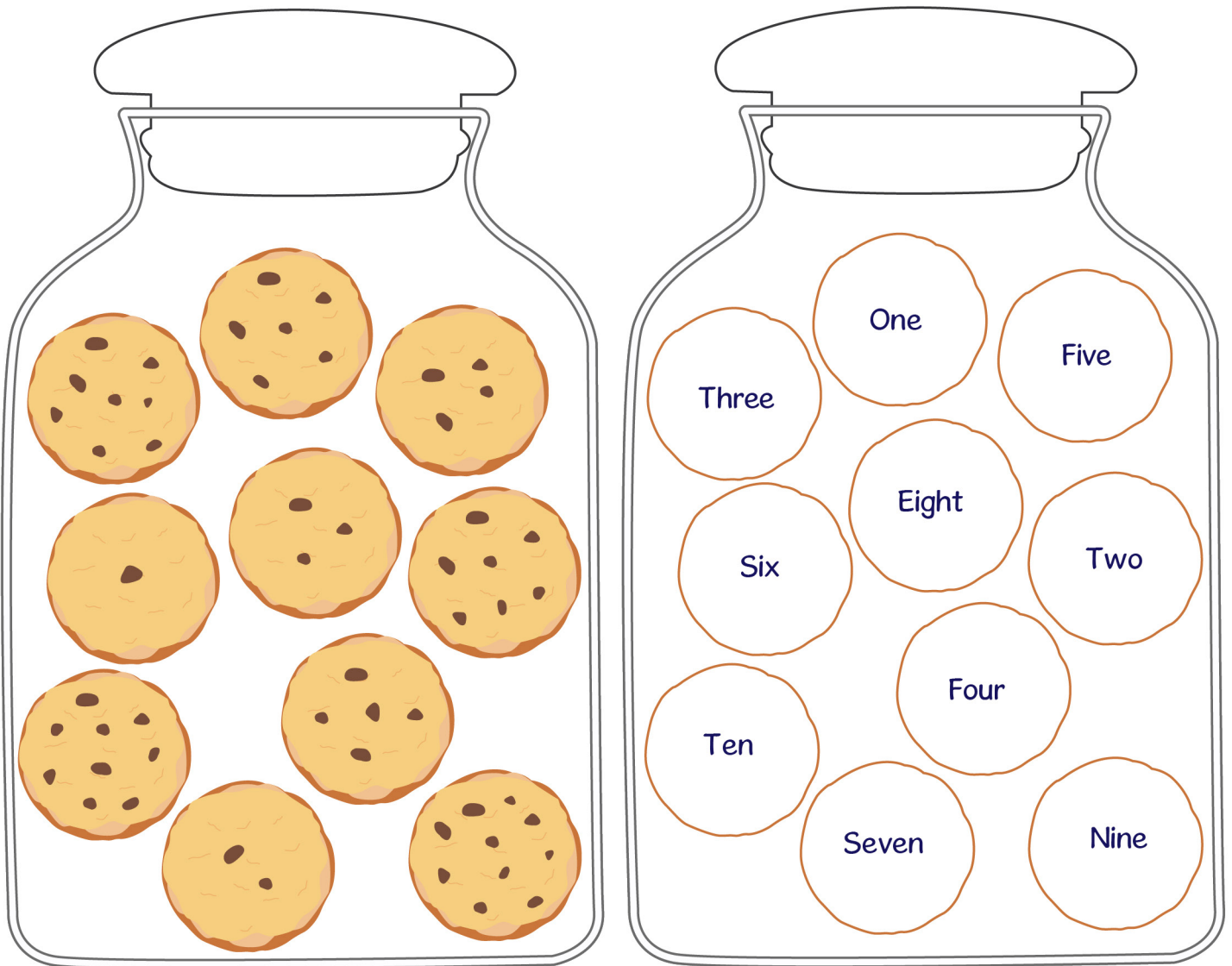
- Marshmallows
- Toothpicks
- Paper straws
- Hot chocolate

Keep all the supplies ready on a table. Explore and start building by poking the straw or toothpicks into the marshmallows and connect them to one another. Once ready, pick out the marshmallows one by one, dip them in your drink and relish!



Choco-Chip Counting

Match the number of chocolate chips on the cookie with the correct numbered cookies.



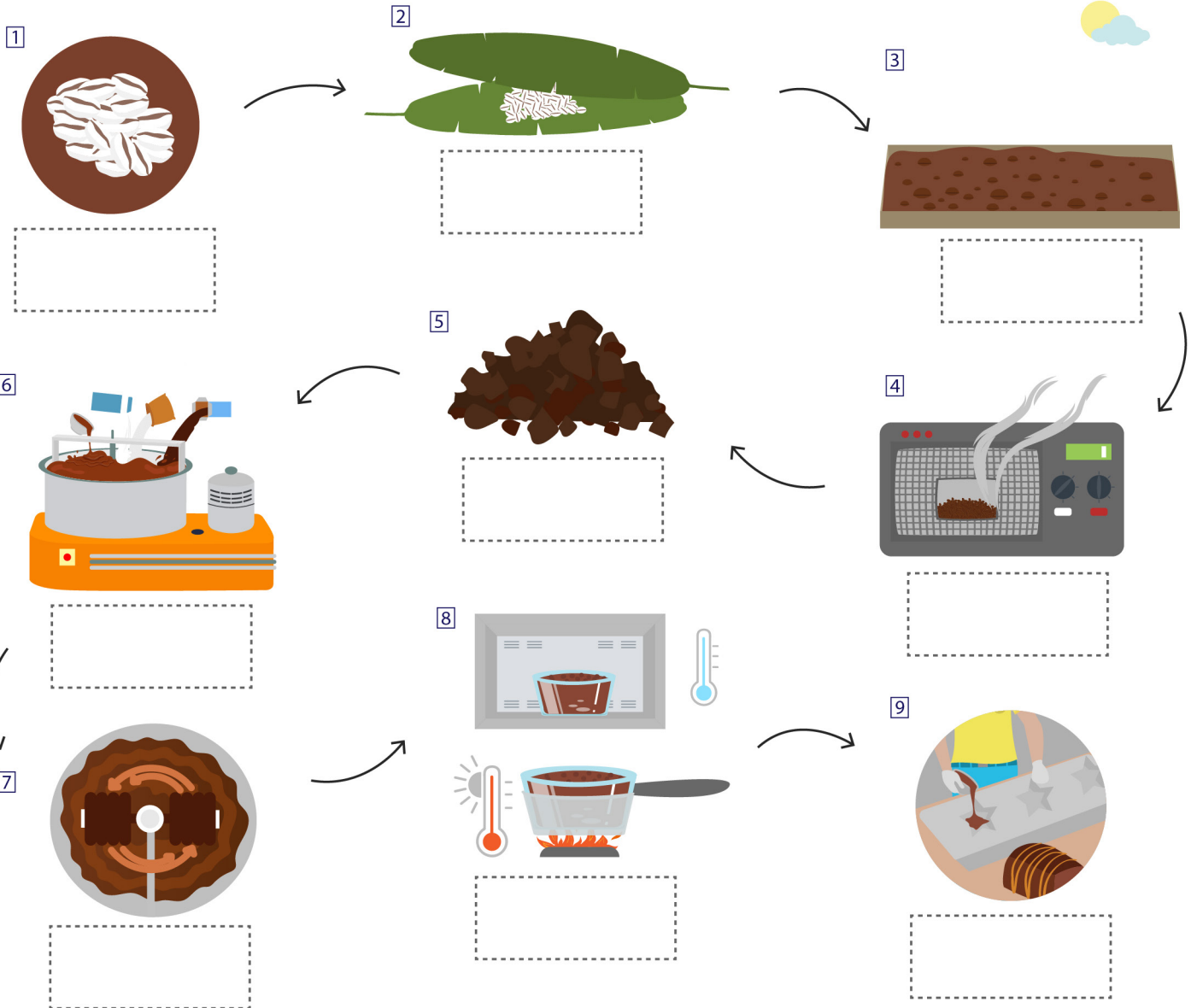
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Pod to Pack

Isn't it amazing how the cacao pods transform into rich yummy chocolate! Revise the journey by cutting out the labels for the processes and pairing them with the correct pictures.



 Drying	Grinding	Moulding
Fermentation	Winnowing	Tempering
Cacao seeds	Roasting	Conching