The Gingerbread Man
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Useful Information	
Author	Mara Alperin
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Other titles by this author	Classic Fairy Tale Series

Tales Toolkit			
	Character- A person or an animal in a story.		Setting- Where the story takes place.
	Mr and Mrs Baker who are sad because they want someone to share their cakes with		The bakery, then the path outside the baker's shop
	Problem- There is another character or a situation that is a problem for the main character.		How the characters manage to sort out the problem and have a happy ending.
	The Gingerbread Man they have baked to cheer themselves up with runs away!		Mr and Mrs Baker make some new friends .

Phrases and repeated refrains from story text Children will become very familiar with these phrases and use them in the oral retelling of the story	
Mr and Mrs Baker lived all alone	Tee hee hee I'm having fun
Run, run as fast as you can	I've run away from everyone
You can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread Man!	Brr, too cold
Tee hee hee you can't catch me!	never lonely again

Vocabulary – definitions and synonyms synonyms are words with the same meaning (or almost the same meaning)	
scurrying	to move quickly (hurry, rush, dash)
pranced	to move in a lively, happy way (strut, bounce)
frolicked	to act in a playful way (romped, danced)
smirked	to smile in an unkind way (leer, smile, sneer)
churn	a container for milk used to turn it into butter(mixer)
orchard	land where fruit or nut trees grow (farm)



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