



Dirt Cake

Ages: K-6th grade

Time: 30-45 minutes (make day before for eating the next day)

Materials:

1 pkg. Oreo cookies
8 oz. cream cheese
½ stick butter or margarine
½ cup powdered sugar
3 ½ cups milk
2 3 ½ oz. pkg. instant vanilla pudding*
12 oz. Cool Whip

Procedure:

Crush Oreo cookies in blender or food processor or roll them out with a rolling pin until fine. Cream together cream cheese, butter and powdered sugar. Mix together the milk and the instant pudding. Add Cool Whip to the pudding mixture. Add cream cheese mixture to the pudding mixture. Blend well. Layer cookies and pudding in sand bucket or flower pot. (Plug drain holes with waxed paper). Start with a small amount of cookies in the bottom, and end up with cookies at the top to look like potting soil. Serve with sand shovel or garden shovel.

Adaptations:

-Can garnish with artificial flowers, gummy worms or chocolate worms made from Chinese noodles covered with melted chocolate chips.

-Can use very small individual clay pots, plastic pots or Styrofoam cups which children can decorate.

*Do not follow directions on pudding box. Refrigerate until ready to serve.