

GOCOA

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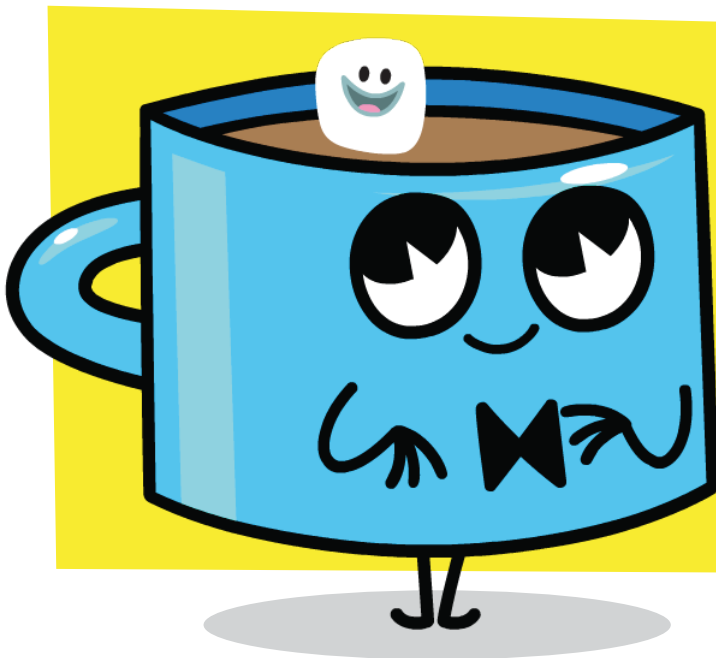
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COCOA CONVERSATIONS

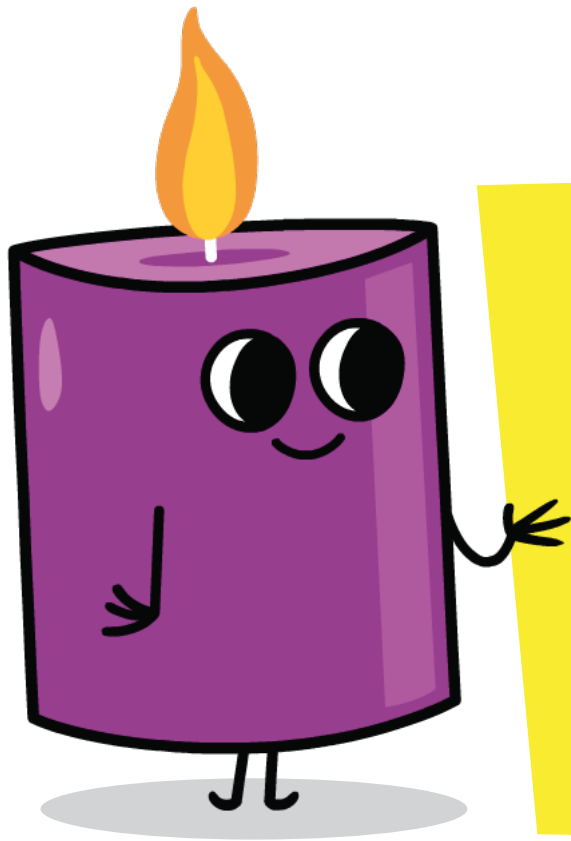
Did you know that besides being super fun, every episode of Cocoa Talk includes an important lesson to help your family grow in faith? Maybe you didn't even notice the show was teaching something. That's what makes it special! Use the hints about each episode included in this pack to help guide your Cocoa Conversations as a family.

WHAT IS AN OBJECT LESSON?



An object lesson uses a practical example to help explain a hard-to-understand or abstract idea. The Bible is full of really big ideas! Object lessons make the Bible and the Christian faith just a little bit easier to understand.





Advent

GUEST: Advent Candle

LESSON: What is Advent?

Advent is the time before Christmas when we can pause each Sunday to prepare our hearts for the season by lighting a candle that represents Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

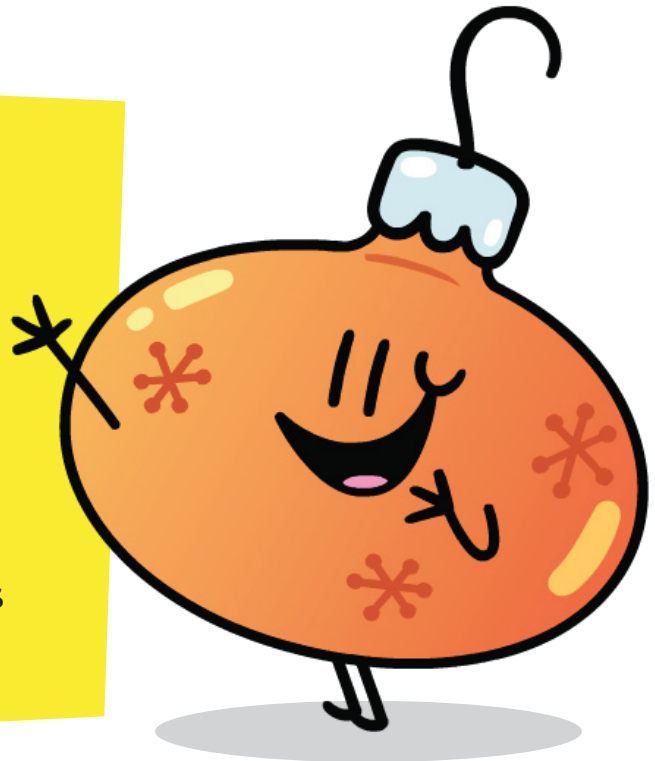
Would you like to start an Advent candle tradition as a family?

God's Gift

GUEST: Bob Bauble

LESSON: Special Gifts

Ornaments can remind us of all of God's gifts throughout our lives—family memories, special events, or trips. Each memory is a gift just like the gift of Jesus that God gave us on Christmas.



What is one of your favorite ornaments on the tree and what does it remind you of?





Jesus, Light of the World

GUEST: Lilly Lightbulb

LESSON: Jesus is Our Light

Christmas lights can remind us of the stars that illuminated the sky on the night Jesus was born. Every shining light of Christmas points us to Jesus—the true light of the world.

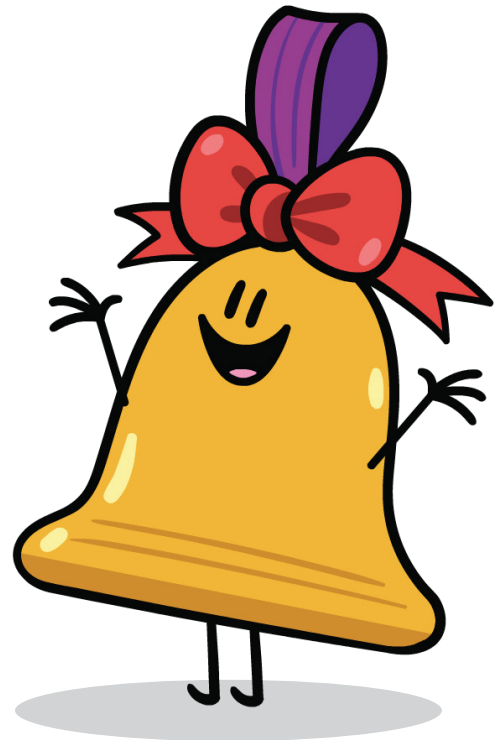
What do you think it means that *Jesus is the light of the world*?

The Body of Christ

GUEST: Anna Belle

LESSON: Our Special Part to Play

Each one of us has a special gift that we can use for God as part of something bigger. Together, we make up the Church—the body of Christ, God’s family. And just like Anna Belle, we all have a special part to play!



What special part can you play in God’s family?



The Greatest Gift

GUEST: Christa the Christmas Tree

LESSON: Jesus is Our Greatest Gift

The wise men followed a star to find Jesus and bring Him special gifts for His birthday. When we put gifts under the tree at Christmas, we can be reminded that Jesus is our greatest gift. And we can be challenged to think about what gifts we can give back to Him!



What gifts can you give to thank Jesus this year?



Angels on Arrival

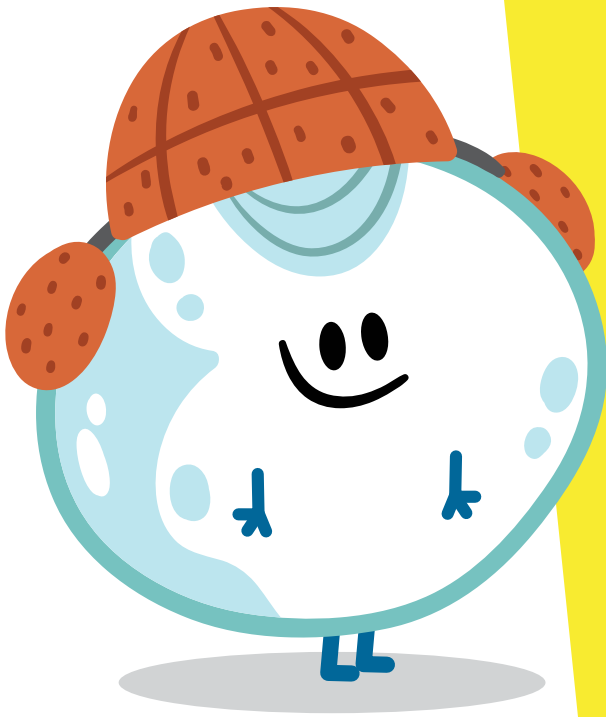
GUEST: Treetop Angel

LESSON: Good News of Great Joy!

The angels that decorate our Christmas trees and houses can remind us of the message of hope the angels brought to the shepherds the night Jesus was born. They brought good news of great joy that is still good news for us today!

Why do you think Jesus' birth was such great news the shepherds wanted to tell everyone about?





Better Together

GUEST: Sunny the Snowball

LESSON: We Are Better Together

A snowball is made up of thousands of tiny, little snowflakes. Together, snowflakes make something beautiful and fun: snow! A snowball can remind us that we are better and stronger together in community. Being a part of a community means we share something special with each other like family, church, our neighborhood, or school.

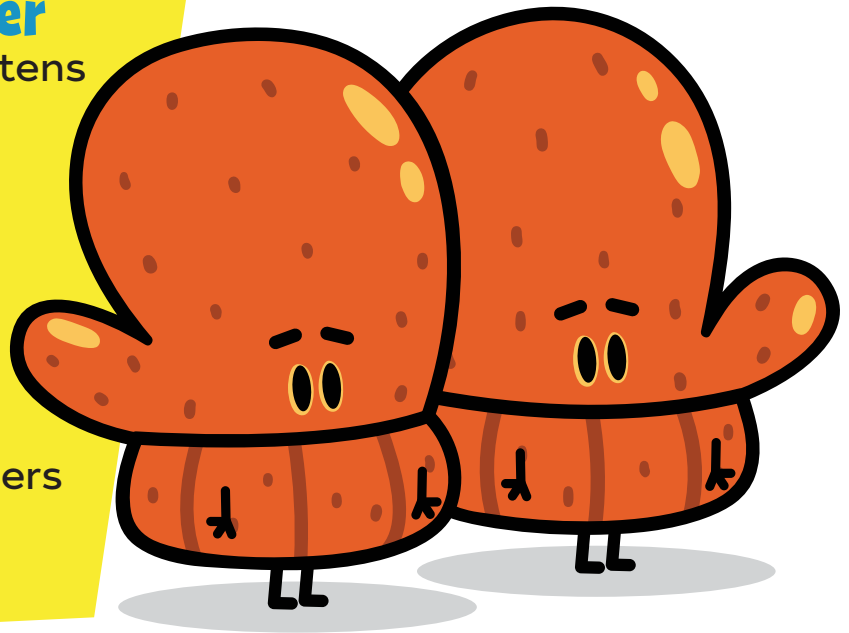
What is something special about the community you are a part of?

Look Out for Each Other

GUEST: Fluffy and Muffy Mittens

LESSON: Partners for Life

Being accountable means being responsible for your actions. Accountability partners look out for each other and keep each other responsible. The Bible says it's important to have partners in life to help us make good choices.



Who is someone you can trust to help you be responsible?

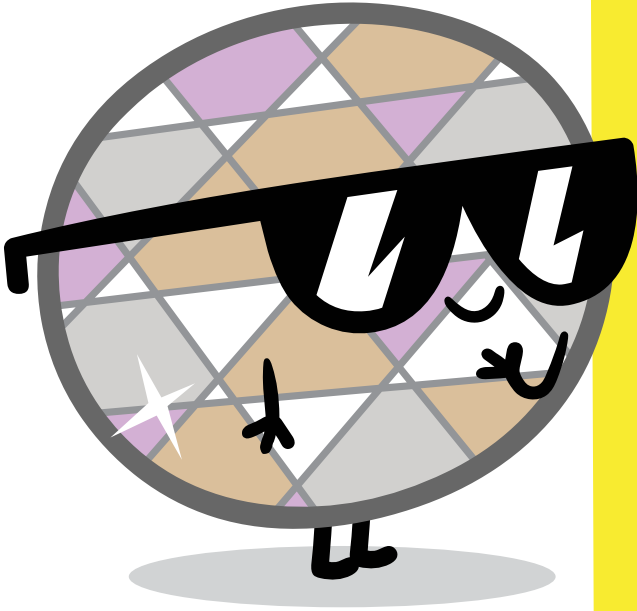


New Beginnings

GUEST: Ned the New Years Ball

LESSON: With Jesus, I Get a Fresh Start.

The new year is a great time for new beginnings and a great reminder that when we choose to follow Jesus, we get a fresh start, too! The story of Paul is a great example of Jesus giving someone a do-over. With the start of a new year and a new beginning, who knows what we can do for Jesus!



What is something new you'd like to do this year?

Want more seasonal conversation starters for your family? Check out the Minno Mantle!



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COCOA WORD FIND

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ADVENT
ANGEL

CANDLE
CHRISTMAS

COCOA
FRUIT CAKE

JESUS
LIGHT

MARSHA
ORNAMENT



COCOA JOKES

Q: Why wouldn't the ornament stay on the tree?

A: It was afraid of the bark.

Q: What did the fruitcake say to the fork?

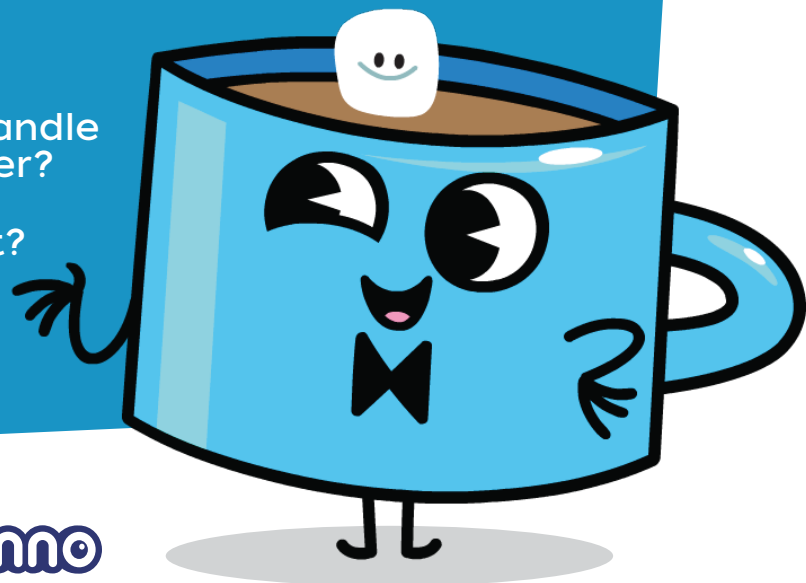
A: Do you want a piece of me?

Q: What do you call stolen cocoa?

A: Hot chocolate

Q: What did one candle say to the other?

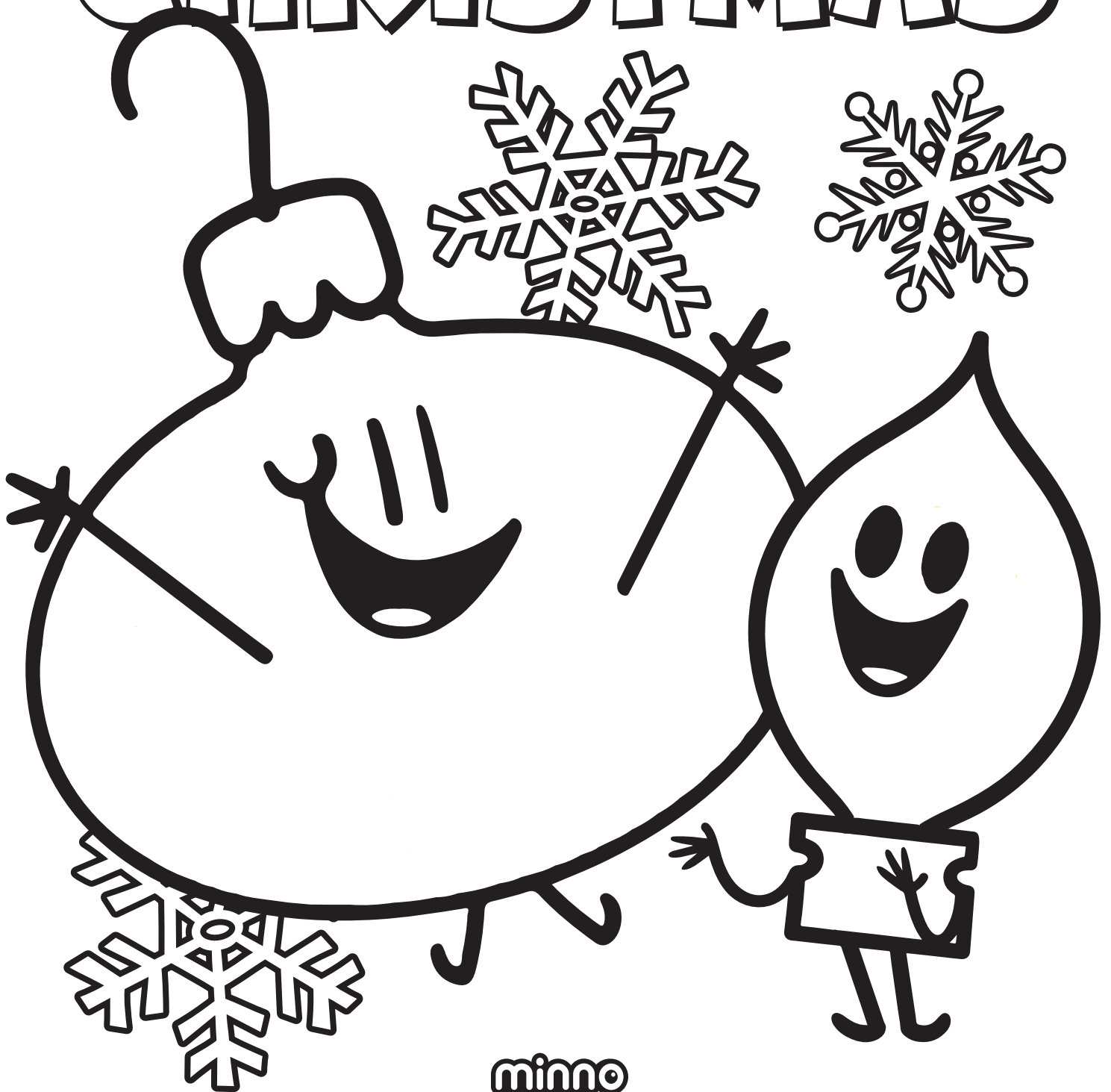
A: You goin' out tonight?



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MERRY CHRISTMAS



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COCOA RECIPES

Rich and Creamy Hot Cocoa

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/3 Cup Cocoa Powder
- 1/3 Cup Sugar
- 1 Pinch Salt
- 1/3 Cup Boiling Water
- 3 1/2 Cups Milk
- 1 Teaspoon Vanilla Extract
- 1/2 Cup Heavy Cream

DIRECTIONS: Combine the cocoa, sugar, and salt in a saucepan on medium heat. Add in the boiling water while stirring. Bring mixture to a slow boil continuing to stir as it mixes. Stir constantly as it simmers for about 2 minutes. Make sure it doesn't burn at the bottom of the pan. Stir in milk and heat until very hot, but not boiling. Remove from heat and add vanilla. Divide cocoa into 4 mugs. Add heavy cream to cool cocoa to drinking temperature. Enjoy!

Nutella Hot Cocoa

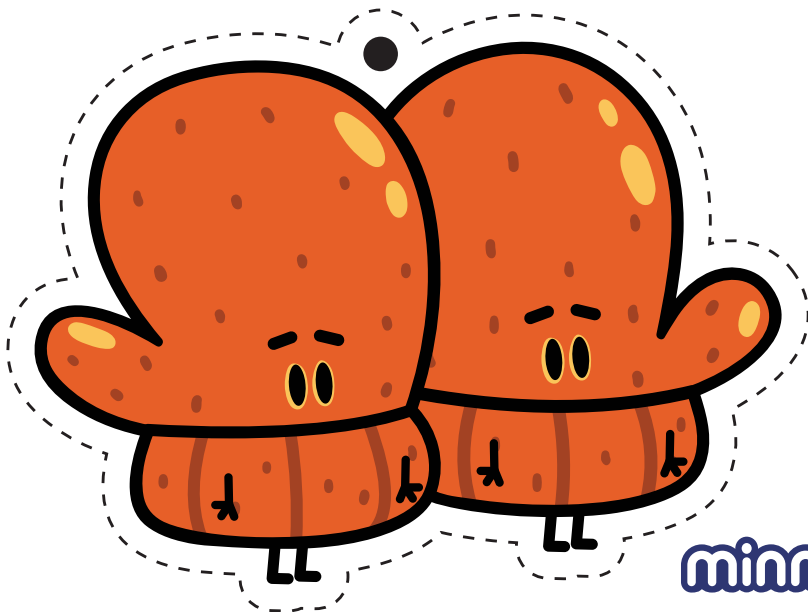
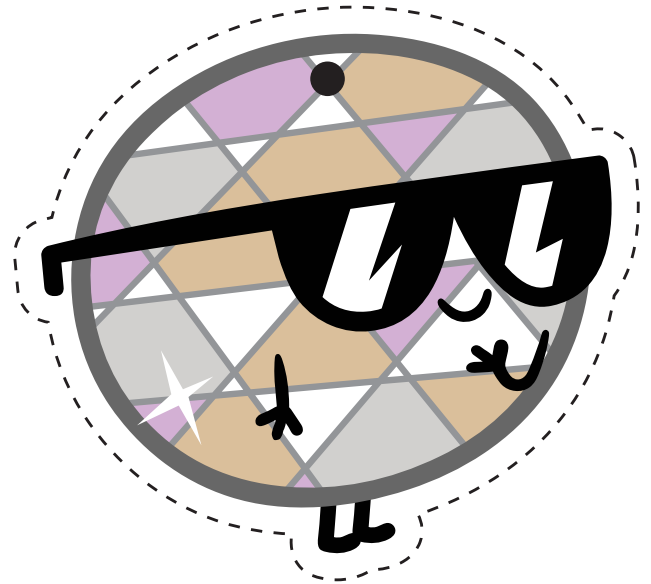
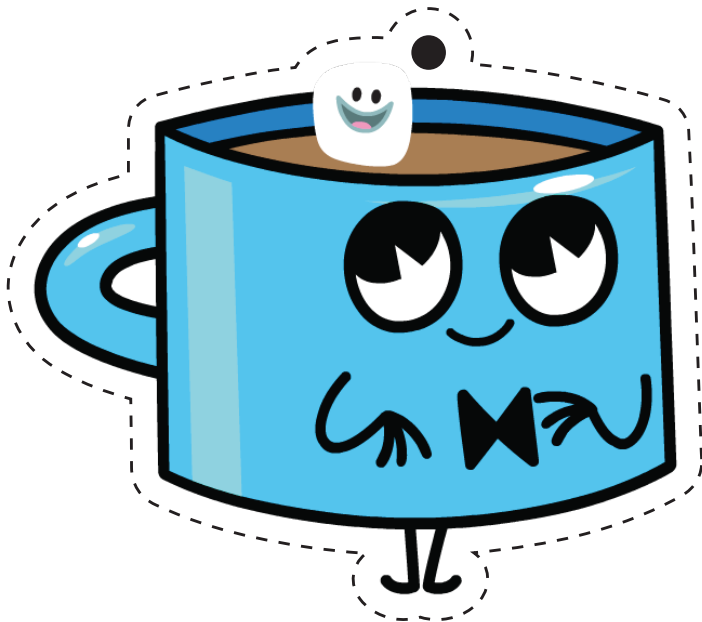
INGREDIENTS:

- 1/3 Cup Cocoa Powder
- 1/3 Cup Sugar
- 1/3 Cup Boiling Water
- 3 1/2 Cups Milk
- 1/2 Cup of Nutella
- Optional: Splash of Cream

DIRECTIONS: Combine the cocoa and sugar in a saucepan on medium heat. Add in the boiling water while stirring. Bring mixture to a slow boil continuing to stir as it mixes. Stir constantly as it simmers for about 2 minutes. Make sure it doesn't burn at the bottom of the pan. Stir in milk and Nutella then heat until very hot, but not boiling. Remove from heat and divide cocoa into 4 mugs. Add a splash of cream to cool cocoa to drinking temperature. Enjoy!

COCOA ORNAMENTS

Decorate your home with these fun cut-out Cocoa Talk friends! For stronger ornaments, glue the paper onto cardboard before cutting them out. Punch a hole, add some ribbon, and hang them on your tree so Cocoa, Marsha, and friends can celebrate with you all season long.



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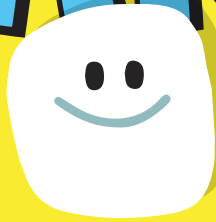
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MARSHA MAZE



Help Marsha
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HOST YOUR OWN COCOA TALK FAMILY NIGHT!

Char-Cocoa-rie Anyone?! Charcuterie boards are all the rage, donning decadent treats from fruit and cheese to breakfast waffles with all the fixins! This holiday season, turn the heat on this trend up a notch with a fun, family Char-Cocoa-rie board night!

Here's what you'll need:

A Platter or Board

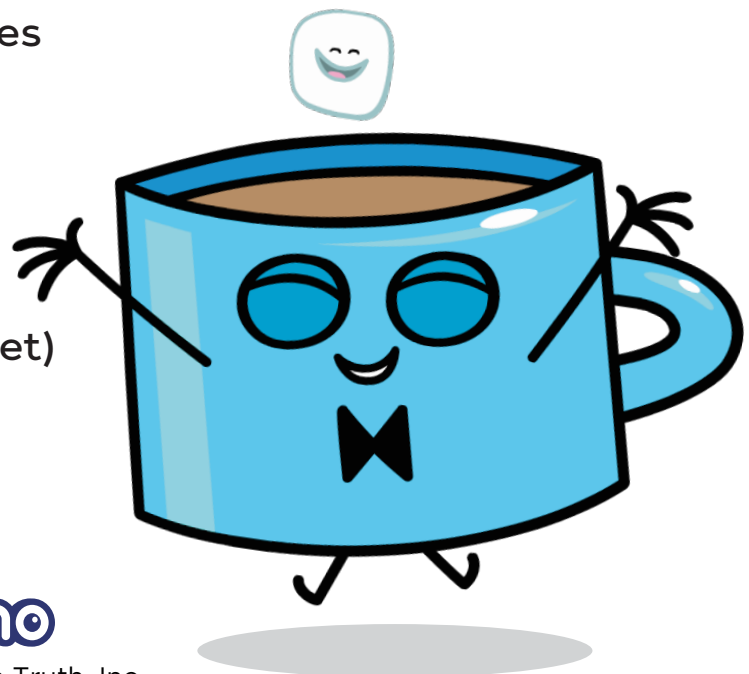
Mugs (bonus points if they are blue like our friend, Cocoa)

Hot Chocolate (make your own using the recipes provided or grab a box of packets at the grocery store)

Hot Cocoa Fixins - some ideas to get you started:

- Marshmallows (make sure they are sweet and fluffy like Marsha!)
- Peppermint sticks or candy canes
- Caramel sauce
- Whipped cream
- Cookies for dipping
- Cinnamon sticks
- Chocolate chips or sprinkles
- Apple slices or berries
(to add a little sour to your sweet)

Set aside a special family night to watch Cocoa Talk and enjoy your Char-Cocoa-rie feast together!



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