Cupcake Decorating

❖ Make 2 dozen chocolate and 2 dozen vanilla cupcakes
❖ Print out directions for various cupcake designs
❖ Supply a wide variety of decorating supplies

INGREDIENTS & DECORATING SUPPLIES

- Vanilla, chocolate, pink, & green frostings
- Black, red, & white writing icing
- Cheerios
- Junior Mints
- M&Ms-regular & mini
- Jellybeans
- Thin mints
- Goldfish crackers
- Candy dots
- Mentos candy
- Mini pretzel rods
- Mini regular pretzels
- Tic-Tacs

- Gumdrops
- Chocolate Chips
- Red fruit rolls
- Sugar-coated fruit gels
- Jimmies
- Regular and mini Oreo
- Red & black string licorice
- Mini red hot candies (cinnamon imperial)
- Pastry bags
- Spreaders
- Plates
- Boxes or bag for take home
Cupcake Ideas from [www.easycupcakes.com](http://www.easycupcakes.com)

**COW**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; white frosting; 2 Junior Mints; 1 pink candy wafer; 2 mini brown M&M's; 2 white jellybeans; black writing icing in tube.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Use writing icing to make two dots on pink wafer for nostrils and place near center bottom of cupcake. Place Junior Mints, angled upward, near top of cupcake. Add jellybean horns and mini M&M eyes.

**PAW**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; white frosting; 1 mint patty (such as Necco); 3 Junior Mints.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Arrange 3 Junior Mints above large mint.

**FROG WITH BIG EYES**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; green icing; red string licorice; 2 green sugar-coated fruit gels 2 red M&Ms (mini or regular).

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Add green fruit gels near top of cupcake. Use dabs of icing to stick M&Ms to fruit gels. Add bit of licorice in smile shape.

**PINK LADY BUG**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; frosting tinted pink (we used Wilton Aster Mauve paste food coloring); brown mini M&Ms; mini Oreo; red writing icing or gel in tube; black writing icing or gel in tube; candy eyes or white writing icing.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Use red icing to pipe mouth on Oreo and attach eyes with dab of frosting. Place on front of cupcake. Use black to pipe line from back of head down center of cupcake. Place M&M's, upside down, on “body.”
**SPIDER**
*What You Need:* 1 cupcake, baked and cooled; white or off-white icing; orange paste or red and yellow liquid food coloring; chocolate sandwich cookie (such as Oreo; we used Joe Joe’s from Trader Joe’s); black licorice whips; cinnamon imperials (red hots).

*How to Make It:* Tint icing orange and frost cupcake orange. Cut licorice into eight equal lengths and press four into each side of the cookie. Use dab of icing to attach red hot eyes to cookie. Place cookie on cupcake.

**CREEPY EYEBALL**
*What You Need:* 1 cupcake (baked and cooled); white frosting, red writing icing or gel, green or blue gumdrop, red hot imperial candy.

*How to Make it:* Frost cupcake using white icing. Using rolling pin, glass or just your hands, squish a gumdrop into a flat disk. Use a dab of frosting to stick red hot candy to gumdrop for pupil of eye. Stick the eye in the center of the frosted cupcake. Use red writing icing or gel to draw on veins to make the “eyes” look bloodshot.

**BUTTERFLY**
*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; white frosting; 2 mini sugar-coated fruit slices; 4 chocolate chips; black gel writing icing in tube; round pastel sprinkles.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Place chocolate chips in line going from one edge of cupcake toward the center for butterfly body. Add 2 fruit slices, with round edges facing, on opposite sides of “body.” Use gel icing to pipe black antennae. Use dab of white icing to stick sprinkles to wings.

**FLOWER**
*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; frosting (any color, really); teardrop-shaped sweet/sour candies or other candies; Junior Mint or other round candy; green fruit lace or strip of fruit leather, or just use writing icing.

*How to Make It:* Place Junior Mint in center of cupcake and surround with candies to form petals. Add candy leaves and fruit lace stem.
**BUTTERFLY ON TOADSTOOL**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake white frosting; candy dots; mini sugar-coated fruit slices; black licorice laces.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Place two fruit slices with round sides together and a small space between them. Cut two small lengths of licorice laces and place in middle for antennae. Peel candy dots off paper and place randomly all over cupcake.

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**SUN WITH SUNGLASSES**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; yellow frosting (I used “Spring” frosting in a can); assorted sugar-coated fruit gels or gems; 2 black M&Ms; 2 small sections of black string licorice; scissors.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Cut fruit gels in quarters using scissors. Arrange gels, pointy side out, slightly overlapping the edge of the cupcake (eat the extras wedges!). Place 2 black M&Ms upside down for sunglasses and add black licorice to each side for frames.

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**SNOWMAN**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; chocolate frosting; 3 mint (white) Mentos candies; orange candy-covered sunflower seed (or other triangular candy); black food-safe pen; strip of fruit roll (I used Rainbow Airheads Extremes); white star, flower or snowflake sprinkles.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Use food-safe pen to draw buttons, eyes, etc. on your snowman. Use dab of icing to attach orange sunflower seed nose. Cut or tear strip of fruit roll for scarf and wrap/place it between the first and second mint. Arrange snowman’s parts on your cupcake. Add “snow” sprinkles.

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**SNOWMAN FACE**

*What You Need:* 1 cupcake; white frosting; 1 thin mint (such as by Necco); 1 Junior Mint; 2 black M&Ms; candy orange slice; 5 mini chocolate chips.

*How to Make It:* Frost cupcake. Use dab of icing to stick Junior Mint to center of thin mint for hat and place at top of cupcake. Add M&M eyes. Cut piece off candy orange and add for nose. Place 5 mini chocolate in a smile shape.