

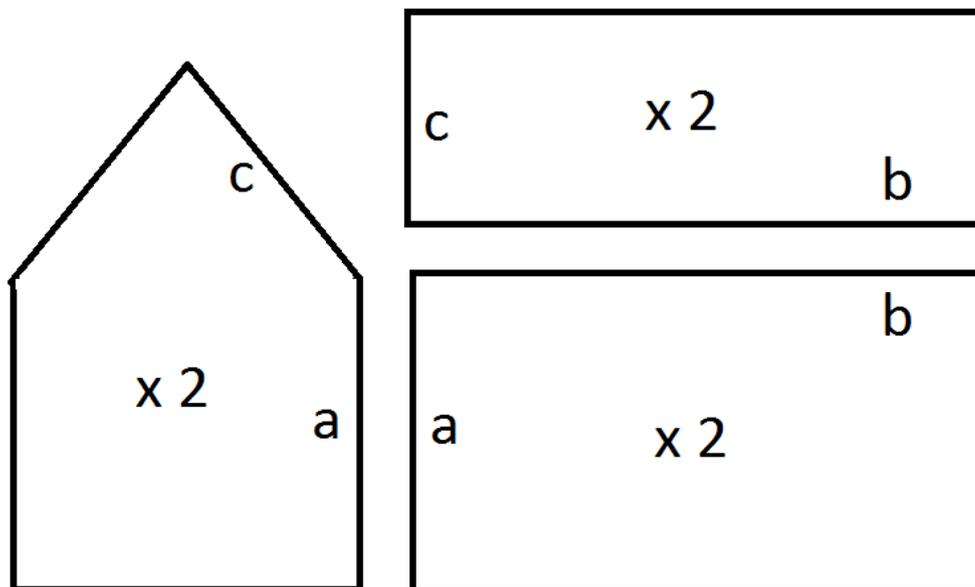
## Gingerbread houses – Christmas activity

This is fairly labour intensive in the preparation phase, so turning that into an activity of its own may be beneficial! Once prepared though, this package benefits from being non-perishable and (relatively) cheap to post.

You, or a group of you, will need to pre-make the gingerbread for the construction. This recipe from the BBC worked well -

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/gingerbread\\_men\\_99096](https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/gingerbread_men_99096) - but use any!

Before baking, use this net to cut the rolled out dough into the required shapes.



Short video of this stage for reference: <https://youtu.be/-MsR3FVdEaU>

This can then be packaged. I recommend laying each pair on a cardboard backing and then wrapping in bubble wrap, to prevent knocks.

Place the packaged biscuits in a large, padded envelope along with any decorative items. I would recommend including white icing, but otherwise see what's available and try to include a broad mix.

## Session Narrative

Icebreaker: dream home. Which of the following houses would you most like to live in and why? Use it as a way into talking about favourite places/happy places.



Main activity: assemble the house! Use the icing to stick together the sides first, then the roof! Once assembled, girls can decorate how they see fit. Some suggestions:

