MAKE SOME VERY BIG PLANS WITH TOM GATES!

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By LIZ PICHON
WRITE YOUR OWN SONG!

In TOM GATES: BISCUITS, BANDS AND VERY BIG PLANS, Tom and his fellow DogZombies bandmates come up with a new song all about biscuits! Why not give writing your own song a go? It can be about anything you want it to be!

Write your song here:

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“LET’S ALL SING” didn’t go too badly, and we managed to sing the whole song without too many wrong notes and missed dance moves. The Recycled Orchestra had a few issues with elastic bands and some of the boxes and shakers were a bit soggy, and made slightly muffled noises. But Mrs Nap’s HAT was still a super-impressive drum.

When we got to the final note, someone was supposed to hit the GONG, only they forgot. We kept holding the note for as long as we could, which wasn’t easy. Then Marcus decided to hit the GONG himself, only he got carried away…
BAKE SOME BRILLIANT BISCUITS!

In TOM GATES: BISCUITS, BANDS AND VERY BIG PLANS, Tom and his friends raid his dad’s secret biscuit tin to find inspiration for their new song! Follow the recipe below to bake delicious biscuits for you and your friends.

You will need:

- 500g plain flour
- 250g butter
- 140g sugar
- 2 tablespoons vanilla extract
- 1 tablespoon milk

To make your yummy treats:

1. Preheat an oven to 160°C
2. Place the flour, butter and sugar in a bowl. Mix it together until it looks like fine breadcrumbs (you can use your fingers!)
3. Add vanilla extract and a little milk until the mixture sticks together
4. Add the rest of the milk until you create a dough
5. Place on a floured surface and roll the dough until it is about 5mm thick
6. Cut into shapes: they can be anything you want!
7. Place them on a tray lined with baking parchment
8. Bake in the oven for 12-15 minutes
9. Decorate them however you want, and enjoy!

Make sure you ask an adult to help you!
DESIGN YOUR BAND LOGO!

In TOM GATES: BISCUITS, BANDS AND VERY BIG PLANS, Tom and his friends all come up with new logos for their band, DogZombies. Come up with a band name and design a logo below - use all the space and feel free to come up with more than one idea!

Draw an AMAZING logo for your band!
DRAW A WEIRD PIZZA!

In TOM GATES: BISCUITS, BANDS AND VERY BIG PLANS, Granny Mavis orders a very weird pizza: PINEAPPLE, with EXTRA banana and PEANUTS!

What are the weirdest pizza toppings you can think of?

Would you dare to eat your WEIRD pizza?

DRAW THEM BELOW!
MAKE YOUR OWN INSTRUMENTS!

In TOM GATES: BISCUITS, BANDS AND VERY BIG PLANS, Tom’s school enters the Kids Choir Competition, and their orchestra play recycled instruments. The instruments include shoeboxes, dustbin lids, old crisps tubes – even old hats! You can make your very own recycled instruments at home, why not write down your best ideas below?

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I’ll do it!

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