

Easy Cut-up Cakes for Kids

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Melissa Barlow : Easy Cut-up Cakes for Kids before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Easy Cut-up Cakes for Kids:

13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Great for moms who don't have a lot of baking experience but want to make awesome cakesBy A. BowmanIf you are an experienced, creative baker who aspires to be the next Cake Boss, this book is probably a bit basic for you. But, if you are like me, it's a great addition to your kitchen.Prior to having my kids, I hadn't baked a cake in at least 15 years. I don't have a creative baking bone in my body. All I could manage for my oldest's first birthday was a basic cake with store bought frosting. I remembered all the awesome, fun cakes my mom made for us when we were growing up and wanted to do something more for my kids. A sheet cake with store-bought action figures stuck on the top seemed too generic and not very fun. So, I browsed through and found this book. It was exactly what I needed. It has 24 ideas cakes that anyone can make. It also has very tasty, (and very easy) frosting recipes. There is a good split between "girl" and "boy" themes as well as generic cakes you can use for either sex. She uses basic pans that everyone will have in their kitchen and gives an easy-to-decipher template for

each cake. She also gives ideas for variation so you won't feel like you're making the same cake over and over. The very first cake I baked was for my oldest's second birthday. It was the clown fish and to my tremendous surprise, it looked awesome, just like the picture in the book. Several of the moms at the party who knew me well, and know my lack of baking history, were convinced that I bought the cake somewhere. Another mom wanted to pay me to make a cake for her son's party. Instead, I loaned her the book. She also had tremendous success. My success bred confidence and I've since made several other cakes from the book and have started to add my own creativity instead of sticking to exactly what she says. I highly recommend this book. I had hoped to make some fun cakes for birthdays but I got much more than that. We now have baker-quality cakes quite frequently. The kids love them and it's fun to see their faces when they see my new creations. I might just be ready to venture into Cake Boss wannabe territory.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Baking with your children can be FUN! By LVSTired of cupcakes? Easy Cut-up Cakes for Kids is an excellent book for everyone including kids. A good starter book for kids who enjoy being creative in the kitchen. Easy Instructions, The result is fun cakes for every occasion. Become creative, design your own original cut-up cakes.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Perfect for a beginner! By Vijai Kalathur I love love love this book. I am a novice baker with absolutely no cake decorating experience. I just wanted some basic guidance on simple cakes I can put together for my kids. Other cake books I was looking at required a number of tools and ingredients. I was able to whip up the 'Ladybug' design pretty quickly and with minimum ingredients for my niece's birthday. I surprised myself and the family! I hope to continue to use this book to further my decorating skills.

Why stick to the same old sheet cakes from your supermarket bakery to celebrate the special moments in your kids' lives? Ditch the tired Barbie and G.I. Joe themes and make something truly special with Party Cut-Up Cakes for Kids! Perfect for birthdays, parties, holidays, and other special celebrations, Party Cut-Up Cakes teaches even novice bakers how to create spectacularly decorated cakes using standard cake pans and cake mixes, plus easy homemade frostings combined with your favorite colors, flavors and decorations to make custom cakes that will be the hit of the party!

From the Back Cover Did you know you can create fun cakes of all shapes and sizes using a few basic cake pans? A square pan makes a pirate ship. A loaf pan and a small glass bowl make a car. A 9 x 13 pan makes a clown fish, a football, or a Christmas tree. Using simple patterns and instructions for cutting the cakes and fitting the pieces together, along with a few decorating and frosting tips, you'll have fun and fabulous show-stopping cakes every time. It's easy as 1-2-3 with Easy Cut-Up Cakes for Kids! About the Author Melissa Barlow is the author of Easy Cut-Up Cakes for Kids and the co-author of 101 Things To Do With a Salad. She and her husband, Todd, currently live in Bountiful, Utah. Excerpt. copy; Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved. Let's decorate Now comes the best part. You can choose to decorate your cake with your favorite candy and other treats! You don't have to use exactly what is listed in each recipe, just remember it's best to use bright, colorful candy. A lot of recipes call for different types of snack cakes to use when decorating. For example, your cake may call for mini donuts or Oreos that are then used for wheels on a car or train, or Twinkies cut in half that are used for legs on a turtle. Use what you think sounds best. Just remember that the most important thing is to be creative and have fun. The possibilities are endless!