

Bakers and Their Tools Project

Guiding Question:

What are the different jobs at the bakery? What are the different tools these jobs require?

Materials

- Butcher-block paper
- Photos of baker tools and equipment

Discussion

When we visited the bakery, it was so interesting to see all the different workers doing their jobs. We saw workers mixing dough in giant mixers, shaping loaves, and kneading bread using special machines.

We learned so much and need to record and display this information to teach others. To do so, we will start to make a chart of the different tools, who uses them, and why.

Tools	Pictures	Purpose
Mixer	Photo AND scholar drawing Display both!	Mixers are used to mix together all the ingredients needed to make bread dough.
Oven	Photo and scholar drawing	Explanation

Note: This is an example of a completed chart. You should not act as a scribe and write scholars' ideas directly into the chart; instead scholars should do the writing and illustrations that are posted in this chart. By having scholars—not you—create charts, you are supporting and teaching many of the literacy skills we expect Kindergartners to learn. Think of a project like this one as a giant text feature! By having scholars construct this piece, you are teaching them to summarize and convey information in a meaningful way to their viewer or reader. Moreover, when scholars do the majority of the writing in charts, it gives them a greater ownership and investment in the study.

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Display photos of each tool. Have scholars turn and talk about how this tool is used.

Repeat until you have done for all the tools and equipment you saw on your tour.

Possible Tools – You should include any equipment your class observes on their trip. See "Bakery Equipment" for photos)

- Stand Mixer
- Oven
- Spatula
- Slicer
- Cooling Rack
- Display Case
- Dough Sheeter and Roller
- Proofing or Holding Cabinet

Tomorrow you will have each scholar create an illustration of one tool.

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