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## Chocolate Chip Cookies-A Sweet History

In the 1930s, there was a clever woman named Ruth Wakefield. Ruth and her husband owned a cozy inn called the Toll House Inn in Massachusetts, where Ruth was known for her tasty desserts.

One day, Ruth decided to try something new. Instead of using regular baking chocolate in her cookie dough, she chopped up a chocolate bar into small pieces and mixed it into the dough, hoping it would melt and create a chocolate-flavored cookie. But to her surprise, the chopped chocolate didn't melt completely—it stayed in little pockets of gooey goodness!

The guests at the inn adored these cookies. They were a hit! Everyone wanted to know Ruth's secret recipe. She named her creation "Toll House Crunch Cookies" after the inn.

The big break for these cookies came when Ruth met a man named Andrew Nestle. He loved her cookies so much that he made a deal with her—she gave him the recipe, and in return, he would provide her with all the chocolate she needed. That's how Nestle's chocolate chips were born, perfect for making Ruth's famous cookies.



The recipe for chocolate chip cookies became a sensation across America. People loved how the cookies combined the sweetness of the dough with the delightful bursts of chocolate. Families baked them for special occasions, and soon, the delicious aroma of freshly baked chocolate chip cookies wafted through kitchens everywhere.

As time passed, the recipe spread far and wide. Bakeries, families, and cookie lovers all over the world began making their own versions of these scrumptious treats. There are now countless variations, from chewy to crispy, with nuts or without, and even vegan or gluten-free options!

And that, dear friends, is the sweet and delightful story of how a simple experiment in a cozy inn's kitchen led to the creation of the beloved chocolate chip cookie. So, the next time you bite into a chocolate-studded cookie, remember Ruth Wakefield's wonderful recipe that brought joy to cookie jars everywhere!



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1. What is the text structure of this passage? (circle all that apply)

description

cause and effect

compare and contrast

problem and solution

sequence

2. Who is credited with inventing the chocolate chip cookie?

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3. How did she create the first chocolate chip cookie?

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4. Reread paragraph 5. Use context clues to determine what "wafted" means?

a) launched

b) drifted

c) missed

5. Reread paragraph 3. Circle the correct definition below for "hit" as it is used in paragraph 3.

### **noun**

1. strike

2. popular product

### **verb**

1. to strike

2. to attack