

## M\&M Christmas Cookies

## Makes 6 dozen cookies

- 1 cup shortening
- 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 21⁄4 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $11 / 2$ cups red and green M\&Ms (10 ounces)

Heat oven to 375 degrees.

Blend shortening and sugars in a large bowl. Beat in vanilla and eggs. Sift remaining dry ingredients together. Add to egg mix, blending well. Stir in $3 / 4$ cup of candies.

Drop from teaspoon about 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Use 3 or 4 of the remaining M\&Ms to decorate the top of each cookie. Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until golden brown.
Remove cookies with spatula to wire racks. Cool completely.

