

## TEXAS STATE GERMAN CONTEST

# Gingerbread House Critique Sheet

Contestant(s): \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Judges' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one: Non-Traditional Traditional**INSTRUCTIONS TO JUDGES**

Please make sure you have read the "Instructions to Judges" sheet in your packet. Each judge should fill out his/her own critique sheet for each entry. Make at least a few comments on each sheet. Determine the winners by adding all the points given by the judges. **Double-check your addition.** Fill out the results sheet after ALL entries have been judged.

**RULES**

There are two categories and each school may enter one house in each of these categories: **traditional houses** (like the Hänsel and Gretel house) and **non-traditional houses** (such as tree houses, shoe houses, castles, churches, etc.). **Students must build all houses from scratch.** No kits. Maximum amount of money to be spent: \$45.00 per house. Contestants must show receipts for expenses. Photos of the actual building of the house would be helpful to the judges in determining if the house was actually built by the students. Use any recipe. All parts of the house must be edible. **Size requirements:** Length and width: minimum 9" per dimension, maximum 24" per dimension; height: maximum 24". Measurements will be made from wall to wall with a 1/2" variance. Any animals and figures must also be edible. This must be a house or structure with a roof on it. Each house should have a card with the name(s) of the contestant(s), the school, the city, and the category of house (traditional or non-traditional) on it.

**CRITERIA FOR JUDGING**

1. **Materials:** 80% should be student-made rather than bought in a candy store (0-20 points).
2. **Presentation around the house:** Landscaping, additional figures, fencing, ponds, other details (0-20 points).
3. **Originality:** Structure was designed and built from students' own plan (0-20 points).
4. **Imagination:** Creativity, such as furnishings in the house, shutters, stained-glass windows, wallpaper, pictures on the wall, fireplaces, chimneys, curtains, etc. (0-20 points).
5. **Overall effect** (0-20 pts).

TOTAL POINTS: (100 possible) \_\_\_\_\_

**MORE COMMENTS TO HELP THE CONTESTANTS:**