In the 16th century, people in Germany started practicing the tradition of making gingerbread houses, they used gold leaf and foils to cover the houses. But making gingerbread houses and decorating them did not become a common tradition until 1812 when the popular Grimm's fairy tale *Hansel and Gretel* was published. The children in the fairy tale accidentally wander into a witch's gingerbread house and had to escape so they would not be eaten by the witch!

Colour this gingerbread house!