Draw a gingerbread man

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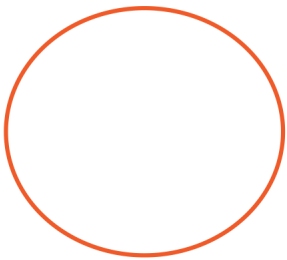


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Paper and pencil + eraser.

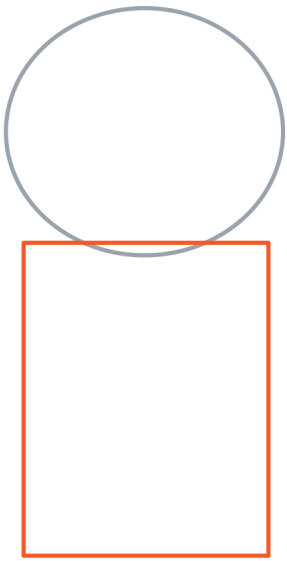
Orange: new marks. Black: keep. Gray: erase only the named guides.

1. Start with a circle.



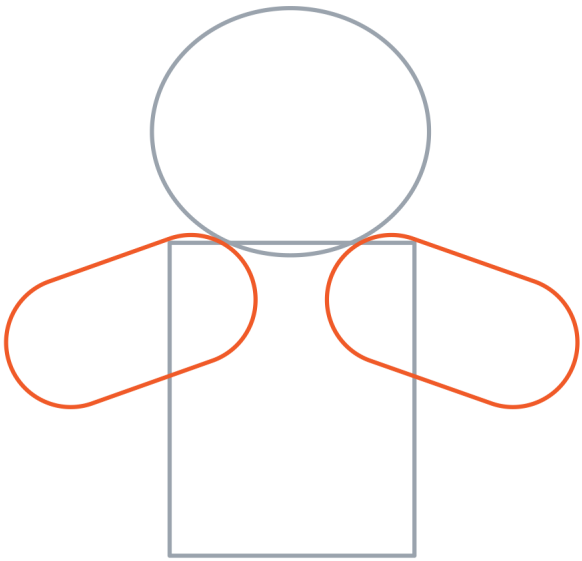
Near the top, lightly draw a round head. Leave about two head-heights below it for the body and legs. All the light shapes will be erased.

2. Add a body block.



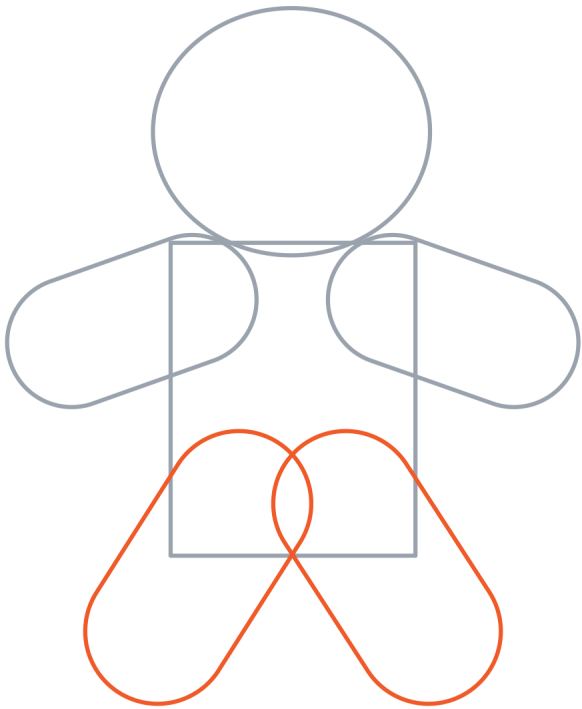
Lightly draw a box below the head, about as wide as the head and a little taller. Let its top overlap the circle's bottom.

3. Plan the arms.



Lightly draw two short sausage shapes for the arms. Overlap the upper sides of the box and point the rounded ends outward and slightly down.

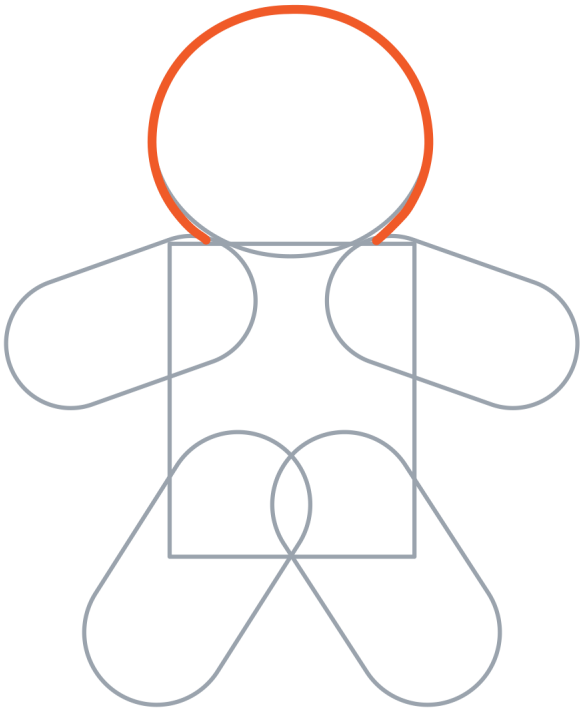
4. Plan the legs.



Add two longer sausage shapes below the body. Tilt them apart and overlap their tops with the box. Leave a narrow gap between their lower ends.

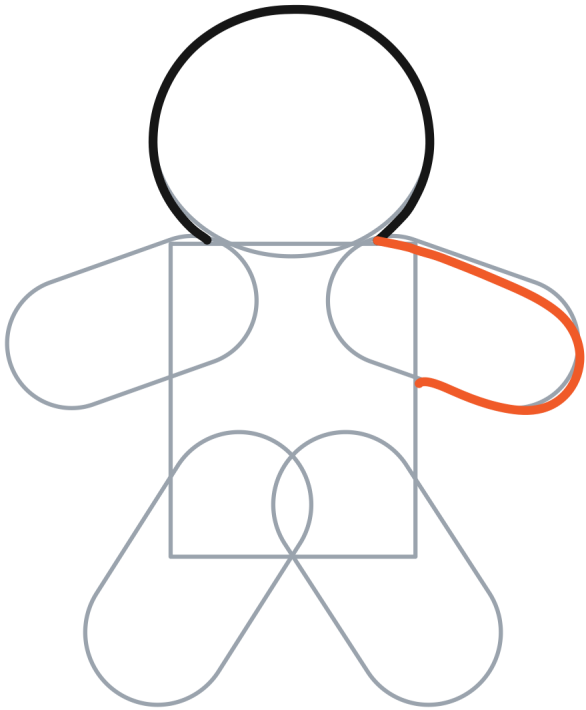
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5. Keep the round head.



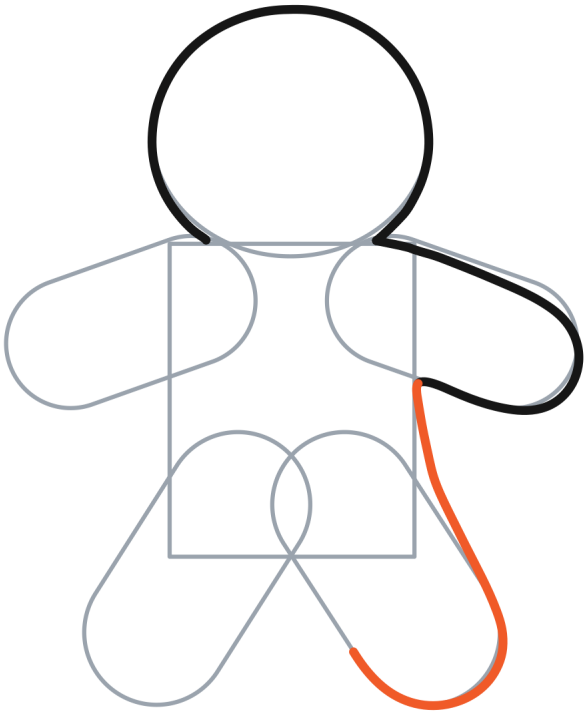
Starting at the lower-left side, follow the round head over the top to the lower-right side. Leave the bottom open where the head joins the body.

6. Join the right arm.



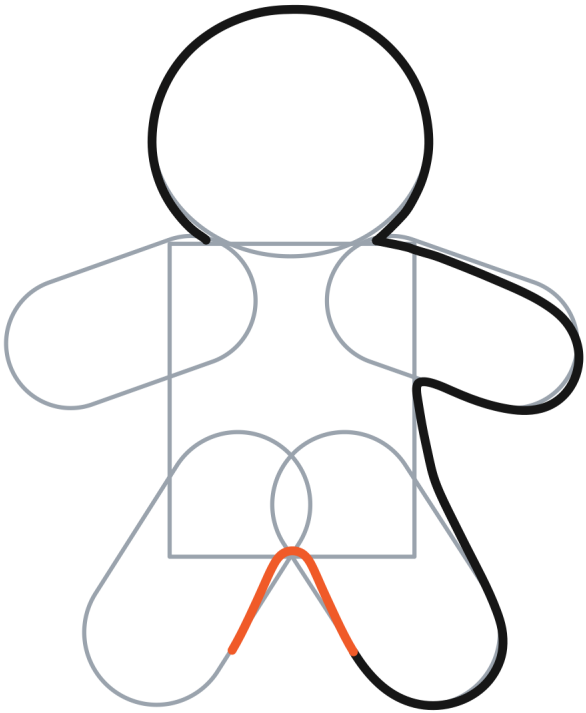
From the right side of the head, curve outward around the arm guide. Round the hand, then come back toward the body. Skip the guide line where the arm overlaps the body.

7. Round the right leg.



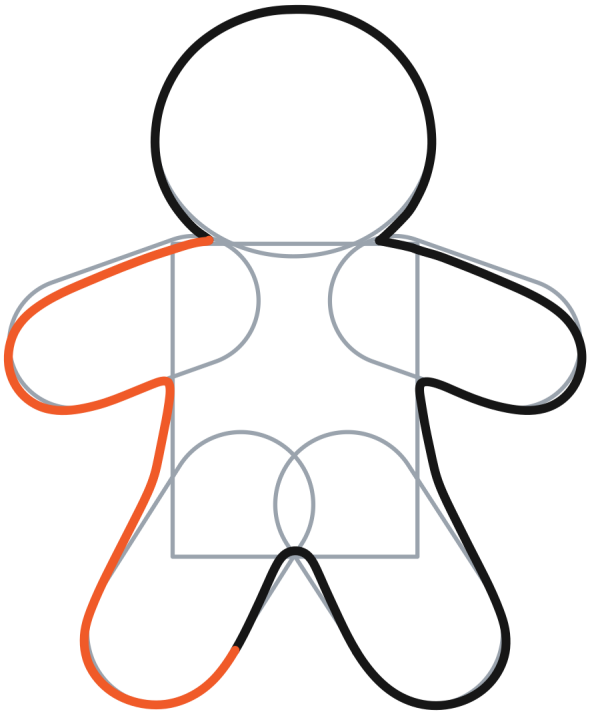
Continue down the body's right side, around the outside of the leg guide, and around its rounded foot.

8. Leave a gap for the legs.



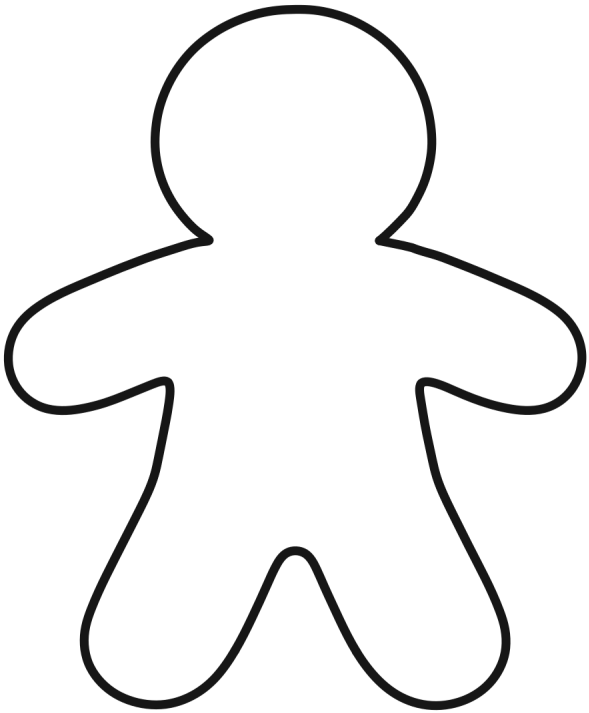
From the inside of the right foot, curve upward into the gap. Round the top of the gap, then curve down toward the inside of the left foot.

9. Close the cookie outline.



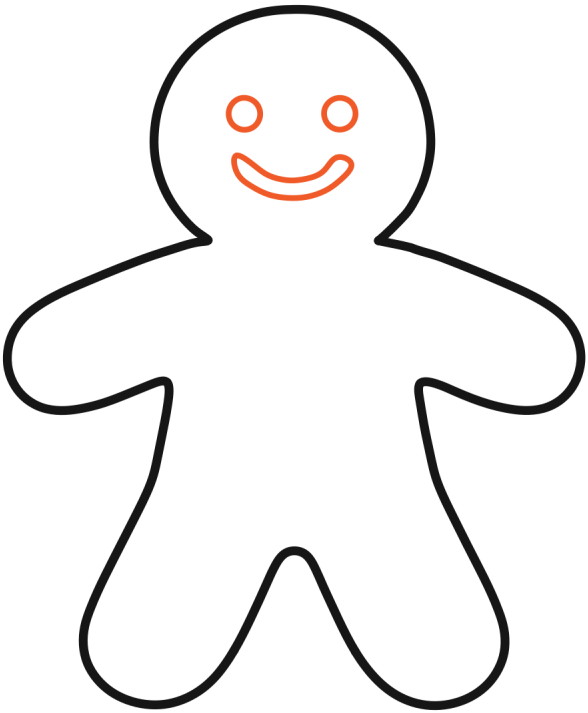
Continue around the left foot and up the body. Curve out around the left arm, then return to the head. Keep only the outside outline, not the overlapping guide edges.

10. Erase the light guides.



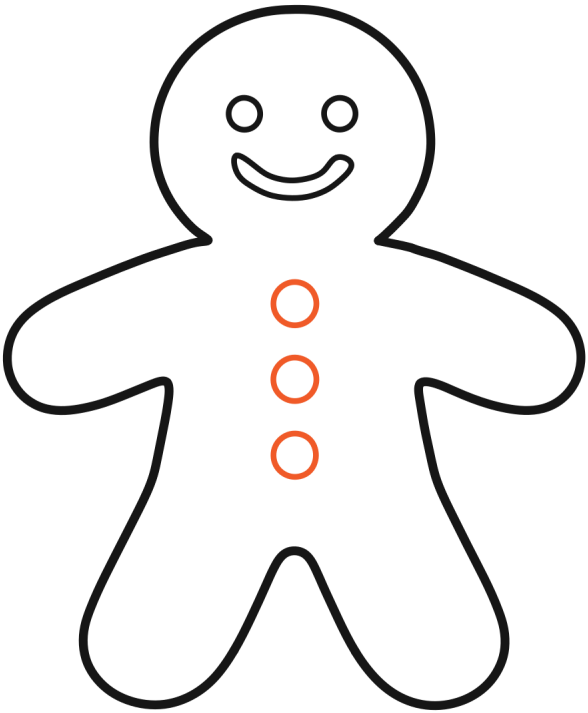
Erase the circle’s lower edge, the body box and all four rounded guides. The head, arms and legs now share one connected cookie outline.

11. Add two eyes and a smile.



Draw two small circles level with each other. Below them, draw a shallow smile curve, then a second curve underneath that joins both ends. Leave the smile open inside.

12. Draw one button, then two.



Draw one small round button below the head. Repeat it twice, leaving even spaces down the center of the body.

13. Make one complete icing band.



Across the right wrist, draw one wavy line. Return beside it with a second wavy line and close both ends. This makes one complete narrow icing band.

14. Repeat the icing bands.



Repeat the same closed band on the other wrist and on both ankles. Each band has two wavy edges joined at the ends. Leave the centers open for coloring.