Ice-Cream Flower Pots

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Ingredients:

- 1 whole Pound Cake
- 1 gallon Ice Cream
- 1 package Oreo Cookies
- 1 package Gummy Worms
- Other Things You'll Need:
- · Small Clay Flower Pots, Lead-free
- Straws
- Fresh Cut Flowers or you can make an edible one with gumdrops and a flower shaped cookie stuck on a skewer

Preparation Instructions:

- 1. Slice the pound cake (frozen is fine) into 1 to 1 ½ inch slices. Next, with a biscuit cutter or cookie cutter that fits the bottom of the flower pot cut the slices into rounds. (freeze the "scraps" and use them at a later date, yummy for a trifle!).
- **If you desire, line the flower pots with aluminum foil, stopping about 1/2 inch from the rim.
- 2. Into each of your (washed and dried) flowerpots, drop a round of pound cake, lightly pressing to make sure they are all the way down. Hold a straw up against the side of a flowerpot and snip it so it's about ½ to 1 inch shorter than the top. Then, just use that as a guide to cut the rest of the straws. Stick each straw into the center of each pot, anchoring it into the cake.
- 3. Now, grab whatever flavor ice cream you'd like to use, and either set it out on the counter to soften it OR nuke it for 20 seconds or so. It needs to be somewhat soft for this step. Just spoon it into the pots, working it around the straw, until it almost reaches the very tip top of the straw. Clean up the top edges of the pot with a damp paper towel. (Note: If you are adding garden worms, just fill the pot half-way up, put in some gummy worms and put more ice cream on top). Now return the pots to the freezer until firm.
- 4. In a food processor pulse the Oreo cookies until they resemble nice, rich topsoil. (You can also crush them in a Ziploc bag with a rolling pin). When they are nice and firm, take the pots out of the freezer and spoon the dirt (crushed Oreos) over the top. Be generous here! Place a fresh flower into the straw and then cover the straw with a bit more dirt.

