

## A Young Chef's Glossary

**Baking Sheet:** A flat, hard sheet of metal that is used to bake

cookies, breads, and other foods.

**Blender:** A small electrical kitchen appliance that uses

sharp, short blades to puree or blend foods.

**Boil:** To heat a liquid until large bubbles rise to the

surface.

**Grate:** To reduce a large piece of food (like cheese, for

example) to small pieces or thin shreds by moving

it up and down on a surface with sharp holes.

**Knead:** To mix and push dough against a flat surface (like

a table) with the heel of your hand to make the

dough smooth and elastic.

**Parchment paper:** A type of thick, non-stick paper that is used in

baking to prevent foods from sticking to a cookie

sheet or pan.

**Purée:** To grind or mash food until it is smooth using a

blender or a food processor.

**Simmer:** To cook food gently in liquid at low to medium heat

while small bubbles rise to the surface.

Whisk: A kitchen tool that is used to thoroughly mix

ingredients together, or to add air into a mixture to make it light and fluffy. It is also used to help make

sauces smooth.