Meadow Dance / Danza de la pradera
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A little caterpillar turns into a beautiful butterfly during the course of *Meadow Dance / Danza de la pradera*. Your tummy will love this creepy caterpillar!

Caterpillar Crawl Cupcakes

One box cake mix, white or yellow, prepared as cupcakes according to directions
1 bottle green food dye
2 cans vanilla frosting
pretzel sticks, gumdrops, black shoestring licorice
graham crackers (optional)
*Serves 24

Line baking sheet with wax paper. Mix frosting with a few drops of green food coloring. Spread frosting over each cupcake. Place cupcakes with wider side to the bottom on baking sheet, in the shape of a caterpillar (a loose S-shape). One large caterpillar or several small caterpillars can be made with the cupcakes. Stick a small gumdrop on the end of each pretzel. Carefully press two pretzels into the first cupcake for antennae, top pretzel with a gumdrop. Place two gumdrops in first cupcake for eyes. Cut 2” pieces of licorice. To make legs, stick one end of the licorice piece into a gumdrop and the other into the side of a cupcake. Make two legs on each side of each cupcake. Crumble graham crackers around caterpillar to make it look like it is crawling through dirt.

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