

Cozies are sweet. Southern mysteries have a bite. When too much cookie-cutter sweet has you cranky for change, this game does the trick. Share a "cozy" habit that hides a "cranky" edge and learn something new about your best buds.

Jane Elzey's Cranky Confessions

"I bake cookies for the neighbors... but only so they'll owe me a favor."

"I bake bad casseroles for new neighbors so I can judge their ability to tell a lie."

"I joined book club for the good reads, but I stay for the award-winning gossip."

"People think my plants are thriving. They're all dead and buried in the back yard. I take photos at the plant shop."

"I alphabetízed all my spices, but I still have say, LMNOP. Every darn time."

"I love small-town life... except for the small-minded people who live here."

"I get to yoga class early. But only to hear the gossip."

- "I'm sweet as Grandma's tea until someone takes my parking spot."
- "I volunteered for the community rummage sale so I could get first digs."
- "When I light a serenity candle for hope, I'm secretly hoping to see a little drama."
- "I say I don't eavesdrop in restaurants, but I absolutely do. I read lips, also."
- "I tell everyone I watch true-crime shows for research. But it's really to see if I recognize anyone I know."
- "I own more neck scarves than alibis and I rarely need either."
- "I tell my friends I write in a journal every day. It's really a list of grievances. I like keeping score."
- "I told everyone I was on a cranberry juice cleanse. It was really rosé."
- "I bake for therapy. But gossip gets better results."
- "I pretend to be shocked by scandal. I'm actually looking for a front row seat."
- "I believe in forgiveness. But only after a full day of retail therapy. With his credit card."