

Care Package from a Hipster Mother
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Solution

1. The cookies can be sorted into three groups: Raisins (5 cookies), chocolate chips (5 cookies), and walnuts with chocolate chips (6 cookies).
2. Letters are clear on some of the raisin cookies. ('A' and 'P' for example.) Using these cookies, you can determine that the blue frosting orients the cookies - The frosting is at the top of every cookie. The raisin cookie set has sequential numbers of raisins (6, 7, 8, 9, and 10), clueing the order of the five cookies. Finally, the green sprinkles cover the 'important' data on the cookie - the letter you're supposed to read. Thus, the raisin cookies have the letters P, A, B, S, and T written on them.
3. Use the same method (blue stripe is top of cookie, number of objects give order within the set, green sprinkles cover the important data on the cookie) for the chocolate chip and the chip/walnut cookies. The chocolate chip cookies use braille to encode the letters C, O, L, O, and R. The chip/walnut cookies use Morse code to encode the letters R, I, B, B, O, and N.
4. What is the "Pabst Ribbon Color"? The answer to the puzzle is "blue".

