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Fiction story · about 195 words

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Ana decided she would figure it out. On Saturday, she and her dad made a batch. They tasted them. "Close," Dad said, "but something's missing." The next weekend, they tried adding more cumin. Still not right. The third weekend, Ana remembered something. Grandma always used to grate a little orange peel into the filling and wink, saying it was her secret.

They tried it. Ana took one bite and closed her eyes. It tasted exactly like Christmas Eve in Grandma's kitchen.

That December, Ana made a new card with the complete recipe, including the orange peel. At the bottom she wrote, "Grandma's secret, found by Ana." She made copies for every cousin.

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2. **Detail:** What did the family find in Grandma's kitchen?

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