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Whether it's SpongeBob SquarePants®, Scooby Doo® or My Little Pony®, Tess Hindman makes sure that fruit shaped like our favorite characters is tasty, safe, and profitable. As the fruit shapes system engineer for General Mills, she helps keep the company's state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, running well, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"I'm responsible for optimizing production of fruit treats, from new product development to quality control," says Tess, a chemical engineering graduate from Iowa State University. "I'm always looking for ways to make the system more efficient, our quality better, and our productivity higher so we move more product out the door at a lower cost."

"I'm constantly balancing priorities to make sure we continually improve. It's a very dynamic job. Plus, how can you not love a career that involves making food – especially fruit snacks!"

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