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Homemade Finger Paint Recipes

Finger Paint recipe #1 (using flour)

Ingredients:

1/2 cup flour 1 cup water Pinch of salt (optional)
Extra water Food Colouring



Directions:

Pour flour and water into a pot. Stir the ingredients over medium heat until it comes together like a smooth, thick paste. The mixture will be lumpy along the way, but it will all come together. When it starts to pull away from the pot, remove from the heat. Add a pinch of salt, this helps keep the paint from spoiling if you do not use it right away. To reach the desired consistency, slowly add cold water to the mixture (e.g. 1/4 c water). Divide paint base into bowls, add food colouring and mix. Store in a covered container in the fridge if not using right away.

Finger Paint recipe, #2 (using corn starch)

Ingredients:

1 cup corn starch 3 cups water 1 tablespoon salt food coloring or tempera paint powder

Directions:

Add flour and salt to saucepan and slowly add water, mixing with a whisk until all combined. Keep stirring over a medium heat until mixture is smooth and thick. Once mixture has thickened remove from heat and allow to cool. Once cooled, separate the finger paint into small containers and colour with small amounts of either food colouring or tempera. If using tempera powder add a little water to combine. If paint is too thick, add small amounts of water and mix thoroughly, until you get the desired consistency. Store in refrigerator.

Sidewalk Chalk

- 1 cup water
- 1/4 cup dry tempera paint*
- 2 squirts dish detergent
- 2 cups plaster of paris
- *You can substitute liquid paint by adding one capful of vinegar.



Make the mold: Cut toilet paper tubes in half. Then use masking tape across the bottom and part way up the side. Mix the water, paint and detergent first; then add plaster. Put the mixture in the mold and let dry, then peel away the tube. To make rainbow chalk, add the water slowly to a mixture of paint, plaster and detergent. Keep the mixture thick and somewhat dry, like the consistency of clay (you won't be adding a full cup of water). Pack different colors of the mixture in the mold in layers and let dry.



Bubble Solution

- 2/3 cup Dawn or Joy dishwashing liquid
- 1 gallon water (distilled works best)
- 1 tablespoon glycerin (optional)

Tip: age the solution for at least 5 days

