

## Fun creations to make with household ingredients~ by Mrs. Jeudy

### Homemade Stress Ball



I would use a funnel to add the flour to the water bottle if possible; and I like to blow up the balloon before attaching it to the top of the bottle. It can be a little tricky but makes it much easier to transfer the flour.

## Kool-Aid Playdough

- 1 cup Flour
- 1/4 cup Salt
- 1 tbsp Oil
- 2 3 cup water \*you will end up using between 1/2 and 2/3 cup.
- 1 Packet Kool-aid or other drink mix (I get mine at the dollar store, 8 packets per box)



### Instructions:

1. Mix the flour, the salt, and the Kool-Aid together.
2. Boil the water.
3. Add the oil to the water.
4. Pour some of the water into the dry ingredients and mix with a spoon. Keep adding water and work the dough until the color is uniform and feels like playdough.

Notes~ Don't feel like you need to use the full  $\frac{2}{3}$  Cup water. The amount you'll use will be between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of a cup. Store the playdough in an air-tight bag or container. Smells great too!

## Shaving Cream Rain Clouds



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### You'll need:

- A clear glass, vase, or bowl
- Food coloring
- Shaving cream
- Small bowls or containers that hold 1 to 2 ounces
- Water
- An eye dropper, syringe or 1/4 teaspoon measuring spoon

Start by filling the small containers with water and food coloring. One color per container. Then in your clear glass fill up  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the way with water and add shaving cream to the top.

Using an eye dropper, syringe or 1/4 teaspoon measuring spoon slowly drop in different colors around the top of the shaving cream and watch the rain seep through. Only use a little at a time.

## Moon Sand



You'll need:

- 1 Cup of Baby oil
- 8 Cups of Flour
- Container with walls. (I usually use a 12x9 aluminum pan)

Add flour to the pan first and flatten out evenly. Then swirl the cup of baby oil around the whole top of the flour. Using your hands mix/knead the flour and baby oil together. It's that easy!!

You can use dixie cups or other molds to build castles and shapes. This concoction is super soft and feels wonderful on your hands! It also never dries out so it can be used over and over again.

## Make Your Own Snow



You'll need:

- Can of shaving cream
- 8 cups of Baking Soda (or however much you want)
- Container with walls. (I usually use a 12x9 aluminum pan)

Add baking soda to the pan first and flatten out evenly. Then cover the whole top with a layer of shaving cream. Using your hands mix/knead the baking soda and shaving cream together making sure to include everything in the pan. The best part is that it will actually feel cold like snow! You can use your hands, dixie cups, or other molds to build snowmen, forts, or anything your imagination comes up with!

Side note: When you are done playing you can form the snow into a volcano(or just use a portion of the snow), make a hole down the middle, drop some red food coloring into the hole, and then slowly pour some vinegar in a little at a time. Very cool science experiment!

## World's Softest Dough



This silky-smooth 2-ingredient play dough can be made in just a few minutes with stuff you already have in your house:

- Hair conditioner (any will do, but the cheaper the better. I usually use VO5)
- Cornstarch
- Bowl

Mix in 2 parts cornstarch and 1 part conditioner. I usually use 1 cup of cornstarch and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of conditioner, but any 2:1 measurement will work. Start mixing with a spoon at first and when it forms into a lump use your hands to knead and roll into a ball. If the mixture is too sticky, add a bit more cornstarch to your hands to work in, and if it is a little crumbly (too dry) add in a bit more conditioner. The more you play with it the better it becomes! You can store dough in an air-tight bag or container.

## Dish Soap Silly Putty



You'll need:

- 1.5 tablespoons of dish soap
- 2 tablespoons of cornstarch

Mix together with a spoon or popsicle stick in a bowl until it lumps up and then work it with hands rolling into a ball.

The silly putty will hold a shape if you're constantly moving it. But, if you let it rest, it will drip and fall like molasses (so FUN!).

Since this dish soap takes about 2 minutes to make, it doesn't necessarily last very long.

Meaning, you won't need to store it in a

container. Simply play with it for a while and clean up the silly putty when you're done (you'll notice some drying of the ingredients, which is typical of handmade stuff, but a little soap and water will wipe it right up!).

## Fireworks Salt Painting



You'll need:

- Black construction paper
- Salt
- Glue
- Watercolors and paint brush (you could also use food coloring and water if you don't have watercolors)
- Crafting table covering, tray, or newspaper



The pictures are very self-explanatory, so I will just add that you want to add salt and shake off excess after drawing each firework separately (one at a time) while the glue is still very wet. The glue should not be spread too thin or the salt will not cling to it.

Do not paint right away. Let sit for a while until the glue is completely dry and then paint over fireworks with the watercolors and lay back out to dry.



You don't have to do fireworks of course (though I think they are super cool), you can make anything your heart and imagination desire!

