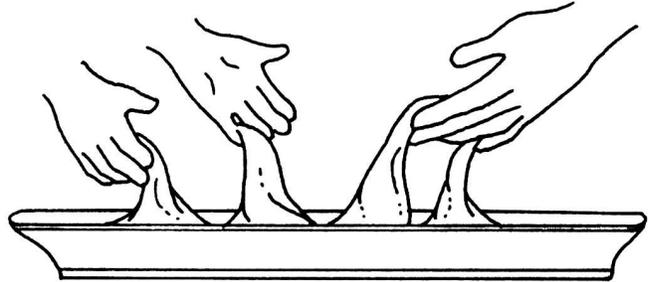


Goop

Age Range: 2 – 12 years

An Opportunity

To make a magically slippery mixture with a glistening, gloppy texture, that is really messy but great fun for adults and children to play with.



Needed

- 2 cups flour
- 1/2 cup salt
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 cup water
- 1 shallow bowl or tray
- 1 large spoon
- 3-4 drops of food coloring or 1 teaspoon of tempera paint (optional)
- a bucket, sponge and soapy water

Directions

1. Wear old clothes and do the activity outdoors, or in a room with an-easy-to-wipe floor.
2. Let children help measure, pour and stir ingredients in a bowl. To tint the goop stir in food coloring or tempera paint.
3. Pour goop into a large tray or other shallow container, ready to use.

Helpful Hints

1. Please give your children clear directions about **how** to use goop and **how** to clean up **before** they start to play with the goop.

2. Explain that because goop is messy they need to experiment with goop **on** or **over** the tray so that the goop drips back into the tray and not onto the floor. Then show them what you mean.
3. Finally, discuss with your children how family members will clean up any spills.

Soap Clay

Age Range: 3 – 10 years

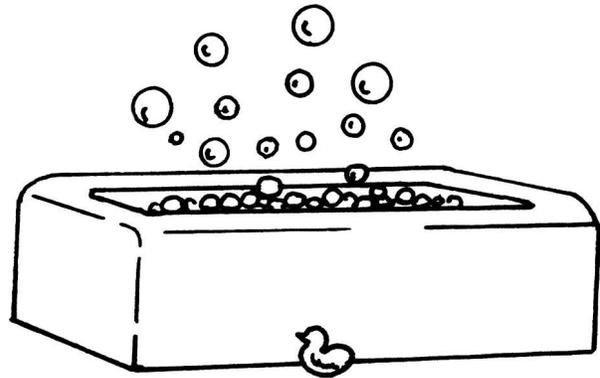
An Opportunity

To find out how to turn soap powder into soap cakes, or crayons to draw with on the side of the tub. (The soap crayons will not stain the tub). Helps make bath time fun.

Soap Cakes

Needed

- 3 cups Ivory soap powder
- 1 cup cold water
- 1 measuring cup
- a bowl and spoon



Directions

1. Let children help pour water into the bowl, and take turns to gradually stir in the soap powder for two to three minutes to make soap clay.
2. They can then divide the soap clay and shape the pieces into soap cakes.

Soap Crayons

Needed

- 4 cups Ivory soap powder
- 1 cup cold water
- 3 empty cups
- 3 small spoons
- red, blue, green food coloring
- a non-slip surface to roll clay on, e.g. a wooden surface or pastry board

Directions

1. Fill three cups 1/2 full with soap powder.
2. Add five drops of red food coloring to one cup containing the soap powder, five drops of blue food coloring to the second cup, and five drops of green food coloring to the third cup.
3. Help your child stir a little water into each cup to form stiff dough.
4. Roll into crayons on a non-slip surface.