

### **Play Dough**

2 cups flour 1 cup salt Water Oil (if you do not want it to harden)

Mix the flour, salt, and water in a bowl. Add a small amount of oil if you do not want the play dough to harden. Knead the play dough a little and watch the kids have fun!

### **Kool-Aid Play Dough**

2 pk Non-sweetened Kool-Aid 2 tsp Alum 2 cups Flour 2 cup Water; boiled 1/2 cup Salt 3 tbsp Oil

Mix the Kool-Aid, flour, salt and alum together. Add the water and oil. Knead. Add more flour if needed to reduce stickiness. NOTE: I consulted a pre-school director about this recipe. She uses it, says the kids love it, it's not sticky and it SMELLS GOOD!

# **Microwave Play Dough**

2 cups Flour
1 tbsp Powdered alum
1 cup Salt
2 cup Water
1/2 cup Cornstarch
1 tbsp Oil

Combine flour, salt, cornstarch and alum. Gradually stir inwater and oil. Microwave on High power for 6 minutes, stirring every minute. Cook until you can handle dough, turn onto countertop and knead until smooth. Divide dough in sections, knead in food colorings. Store in airtight container. Keeps for months.



#### **Monster Cookies**

6 Eggs 4 tsp Baking soda
1/2 tbsp Vanilla
1 1/2 lb Peanut butter; 3 cups scant
1/2 tbsp Corn syrup
9 cup Oatmeal
1/2 lb Butter; softened
1/2 lb Chocolate chips
2 cup Brown sugar
1/2 lb Candy M & M's
2 cup White sugar

Mix all together. Make teaspoon sized balls and roll in powdered sugar. Press flat with fork. Bake 10-12 minutes at 350 degrees. Don't overbake. Note: there really is no flour in this recipe!

## **Easy Monster Cookies**

In a small group, give each child a round sugar cookie, a plastic knife, a small cup of vanilla cake frosting, a popsicle stick, a small cup with M&M's, red shoestring licorice (cut in short strips), and gum drops. Have the students choose what color they want in the vanilla frosting--this will be the monster's face. Drop a few drops of food coloring into the cup. Have the students mix the food coloring and frosting with the popsicle stick. Then spread onto the sugar cookie using the knife. Then allow the students to make a face using the ingredients in the cup. Each Monster cookie will be unique and delicious!



#### **Sandwich Art**

Add a twist to the term "starving artist" by creating masterpieces with food coloring paint on a crusty canvas.

#### Materials

- Paper cups
- Milk
- Food coloring
- New paintbrushes
- White bread
- Toaster

## Step 1:

Fill each paper cup with two tbsp. of milk. Add a few drops of food coloring to each cup.

#### Step 2:

Paint pictures and designs on the bread using the colored milk and new paintbrushes.

#### Step 3:

Toast lightly and use the slices to make crazy sandwiches