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- 1 1/2 TBSP—contact solution (needs to include: sodium borate)
- 1/2 TBSP—baking soda
- 6 oz—Elmer's white or colored kid-safe glue bowl or cup
- plastic container or Ziploc bag
- wooden popsicle stick or plastic spoon
- table cover (newspaper)
- Optional add-ons: glitter, food coloring or liquid water color



## What To Do:

1. Use the bowl or cup to mix your ingredients.
2. Pour 6 oz glue into bowl. If you have special add-ons, add them here.
3. Add 1/2 TBSP baking soda and use spoon to mix.
4. Add contact solution a little at a time—mixing while you do it. You may not need the full amount so go SLOWLY!
5. Slime Rule: Too much contact solution and your slime will be hard; not enough contact solution and your slime will be thin like paint.
6. Once the slime starts to pull away from the sides of the bowl—it's time to take it out and start kneading with your hands.
7. Keep kneading until it hardens enough to feel like slime. If it's still too sticky, add a tiny bit more contact solution.
8. Slime play!

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# Playdough Recipe



## Materials Needed:

- 2 1/2 cups water
- 1 1/4 c. salt
- 1 1/2 tbsp. cream of tartar
- 5 tbsp. vegetable oil
- 2 1/2 cups flour
- food coloring or liquid watercolors (optional)

## What To Do:

1. Mix everything (minus the food coloring) together in a large pot until somewhat smooth. It will be lumpy.
2. Cook the dough over a low heat. Mix frequently. The water will slowly cook out of the mixture and you'll notice it start to take on a sticky dough appearance.
3. Keep mixing until the edges of the dough along the sides and bottom of the pan appear dry. Pinch a piece of dough. If it's not gooey, the dough is ready.
4. Place the dough on a counter top or large cutting board.
5. Knead the warm dough until it's smooth. (If you are adding color, do so now.)
6. Store the dough in a large Ziplock bag or sealed container. Unused, it'll keep for months.



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