

HomeMade Playdough

You will need:

Flour, salt, water, alum (or cream of tartar), a vegetable oil, food coloring of your choice and flavoring of your choice (we just use vanilla).



Start by dumping flour, salt, water, alum (cream of tartar) and oil into a medium size pan for the stove. Turn to Medium Heat



You will want to stir constantly, but it literally takes only 5 minutes. You'll know when it's done when it starts to come together and form a sort of a layer on the outside.



This isn't quite there yet. If you stop cooking it too soon, the playdough will be sticky.



This is how your play dough should look when done.

After it has cooked completely, remove it from the heat and knead it with your hands.

Throw some flour on the surface before starting. Sometimes I lay out a piece of wax paper or a sheet pan to work on if I don't want to get the counter dirty or afraid of it staining.

Create a divet in the play dough to add your flavoring to. A tsp of Vanilla was added to this.

Then add in your coloring of choice.



Have the children knead out the color and watch the playdough change colors. You can use gloves to keep from staining. It does take a few minutes to get the color completely mixed in.

Now, you get to play with your play dough! Get creative and have fun.

