

Crayola.com Inspiring Ideas

Oh Gross!



Crayola Supplies

- Model Magic®
- School Glue
- Washable Kid's Paint
- Paint Brushes

Other Supplies

- recycled newspaper
- paper towels
- water containers
- decorative craft items (optional)

Why?

What's the grossest thing your kids can imagine? With Oh Gross! they'll build on their silly jokes-and dish up something disgusting!

How?

1. Think of something really gross. You might start with jokes that make you want to giggle and gag. Or come up with a fun, disgusting idea in your imagination. Dog vomit is a possibility. What did the dog eat? Bones? Hair? Does the dog have worms? Or are maggots crawling in the vomit? You decide!
2. Use Crayola® Model Magic® to create a model of your gross idea. Is the object chunky or smooth? Are the colors revolting or real? Is the item recognizable or not? Go for gross!
3. Select craft items that add realism to your creation. You might want to add cotton balls, craft feathers, grass, yarn, or anything that adds to the fun. Poke items into the soft Model Magic® or glue things on with Crayola® School Glue. Dry.
4. Cover your work surface with recycled newspaper. Paint your creation with Crayola® Washable Kid's Paint and Crayola® Paint Brushes. Marble or mix paint to get gross, unappealing colors. Dry.

5. You're set for April Fools' Day or Halloween!

When and Where Suggestions?

- "My son's friends thought it was the neatest thing to make mucous-filled tissues for a pretend nose-blowing contest. Yuk!" Sam L., father of 8-year-old.
- "My daughter and her friends laughed about their moldy pizza and squashed bugs! You wouldn't believe the detail!" Crystalle S., mother of 7-year-old.

Interesting Information

October is Animal Safety and Protection Month. Discuss things that dogs may and should not eat. Some dogs can get severely sick from chocolate. Grass makes many dogs vomit because they have difficulty digesting it. Why is it not wise to allow dogs to hunt freely? Take good care of the world's pets and wildlife.

Safety Guidelines

Safety guidelines recommend this art project is suitable for children age 4 years and older. Close adult supervision is required to ensure children's safety.

Model Magic® and other modeling compounds: Keep finished product away from open flame. Do not mold into candleholders or other like items for use around flame. Do not put in oven, microwave, or kiln.

Related Books

The April Fool's Day Mystery by Marion M. Markham

Baseball Camp on the Planet of the Eyeballs by Susan Schade

Once Upon a Halloween by Richard Laymon

Eyeballs for Lunch by M.M. Ragz

It's Halloween by Jack Prelutsky

The Halloween Book by Jane Bull

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