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Make Your Own Abstract String Art

What you'll need

- String
- Water color paints
- Paper
- A book
- Containers to hold paint (plastic cups or plates)

Directions

1. **Pour watercolors into containers** and place one string in each container, leaving about two inches of the string hanging over the edge to hold onto.
2. **Fold your paper in half** and put it in the middle of your open book.
3. **Coat your string in paint.** Choose your first color, make sure the string is coated in paint, and pull it out of the container. You'll want to drag it through your finger and thumb to scrape off the excess watercolors (you can wear gloves for this part).
4. **Arrange the string** on the side of your paper that will stay on the table when you shut your book. You can make loops, squiggles, whatever you want!
5. **Close the paper in a book** and, while pressing on the cover firmly with one hand, use the other to pull that string out of the book.
6. **Admire your art** – Check out the results of your pulled string art.

You can do it all over again with a different color on the same sheet—different paints, different kinds of string or try different paper. Try putting more than one color of paint on a plate and carefully dropping a string to get a little of each color.

Homemade Magnetic Slime!

Have fun with science and make your own magnetic slime!

What you'll need

- Liquid starch – You might have to shop around for this locally, but it is easily found online
- School glue
- Iron Oxide powder – Probably best to order this online
- Disposable bowls for mixing it up – saves washing slime out of dishes
- Craft sticks for stirring
- Neodymium magnets – A regular magnet won't be strong enough. These are easy enough to find at your local hardware store or online.



Here's how to make magnetic slime:

1. Pour 1/4 cup of liquid starch into a bowl.
2. Add 2 tablespoons of iron powder and stir until well mixed.
3. Add 1/4 cup white school glue and mix.
4. Take the slime out of the bowl and mix with your hands. There will be some liquid left in the bowl that isn't part of the slime, and that's fine. You may want to wear gloves
5. Pat the slime dry with a paper towel to get rid of any excess liquid. (The finished slime won't make your hands black, but the extra liquid will.) Once the slime is "dry," it's ready to play with!
6. Use the neodymium magnets to manipulate the slime.

Warning:

Neodymium magnets are extremely strong. One larger one or a stack of smaller magnets might work best to avoid pinching fingers.

Iron oxide powder is not good to breathe. Mix it into the liquid to avoid dust. And if you have a mask, wear it.

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