

Summer Play Dough

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Consider summer play dough when you are planning activities for the summer. Start by remembering that the Bible says **God made summer** (Psalm 74:17).

Enjoy the colors of fruit-scented play dough. (See illustration.)



Supplies for Summer Play Dough:

- Ingredients and supplies are underlined in recipe printed below. Notice the extra ingredient in this basic recipe is Kool-Aid®.
- Use Kool-Aid® to add fruit scents and color to the play dough: grapesô Grape; peachesô Peach Mango; strawberriesô Strawberry; watermelonô Watermelon (Invisible Watermelon with scent and no color was used with green food color added.)

Bonus Idea: Lemonade Play Dough--Lemonade Kool-Aid®, yellow food color



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Basic Play Dough Recipe:

1 cup flour

2 teaspoons cream of tartar

1-2 package Kool-Aid® (number of packages determines color)

1 tablespoons cooking oil

1/2 cup salt

1 cup water

Mix the flour, salt, cream of tartar, and Kool-Aid® together. Mix the cooking oil in the water and add to the dry ingredients. Stir with wooden spoon and pour mixture in a nonstick pan. (Ingredients may be mixed in the pan.) Stir constantly until dough pulls away from the sides of pan. This process takes about 3 minutes. Empty dough onto waxed paper. Knead until smooth and cool. Store in a zip-lock bag or airtight container.

Teaching Tips:

- Ask children to name favorite fruits. Consider displaying fruits to match fruit-scented play dough.
- Say: "God gives us things to enjoy (2 Timothy 6:17) in the summertime."

