

Window Painting



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Age: 3 and up

Time: An hour or more

Type of Activity: Arts and Crafts

You've heard of finger painting, but what about window painting? Welcome winter by painting a snowy scene on your home's windows. Don't worry: The paint is easy to remove, and if you have a camera handy, you can capture your child's "stained glass" in photographs.

Materials needed:

- 2 tablespoons powdered tempera paint
- 1 tablespoon warm water
- 1 teaspoon dishwashing liquid
- Equal solution of vinegar and water
- Old towel or rag
- Mixing bowl
- Mixing spoon
- Newspaper (to cover the floor)
- Paintbrush
- Windows!

What to do:

Step One: Measure powdered paint into the mixing bowl.

Step Two: Stir in the warm water until the mixture is smooth.

Step Three: Next, add the dishwashing liquid to the mixture.

Step Four: Stir the mixture well, but try to avoid making suds.

Step Five: Now let your kids create their fall scenes on a window or two.

Step Six: The paint will dry in about 5 to 10 minutes.

Step Seven: To remove the paint, make a solution with equal parts of vinegar and water. One cup of each should be enough to remove the paint from one window with an old towel or rag.

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