



# PLAYDOUGH Time!!

*investigative project play bundle*



**Project PLAY Pack - Toddlers, Preschoolers +  
Early Schoolers**

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Take on the role of a playdough maker & creator and discover the world around you from making playdough following a variety of recipes, to creating your own playdough creations. This pack is part of a growing bundle of Project PLAY Packs. I created this resource for the members of the celebratePLAY community as a tool to support them with daily PLAY in their homes.

In this resource you will find:

- 2 x PLAYdough recipes
  - 1 x Dramatic PLAY Idea
  - 1 x Sensory PLAY Idea
  - 1 x Science Idea
- A series of printable resources from walls that teach displays (word cards) to table learning resources.
    - A weekly PLAY Planner to plan out the week using these resources.

Our PLAY ideas in this pack are nothing new, they are a series of simple and fun projects to work on over an extended period of time. Learners will apply knowledge and understanding by investigating an engaging and meaningful question .

I hope this resource is helpful when boosting daily play and has your little one's eyes sparkle with joy .

*erin xx*

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*about erin*

Hi there!! I'm Erin, teacher (EC and Primary), Mum (of 2), wife, smoothie obsessed, organisational nerd and soon to be your greatest PLAYmate...the one that will share:

- play ideas with you
- the one that will support you in creating play systems and play spaces that fit YOUR life
- the playmate that will celebrate the PLAY wins with YOU and
- the one that will empower YOU to totally rock this motherhood PLAY gig thing - it's a REAL \*thing\*♡.

*play notes*

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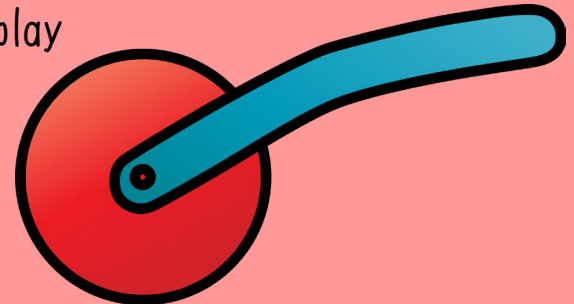
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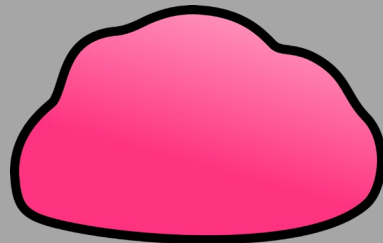
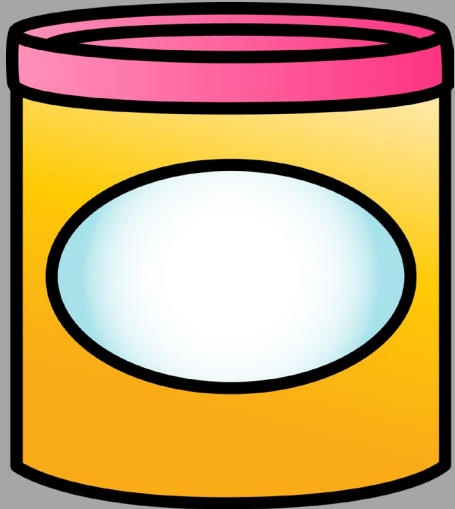


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## Investigative Question

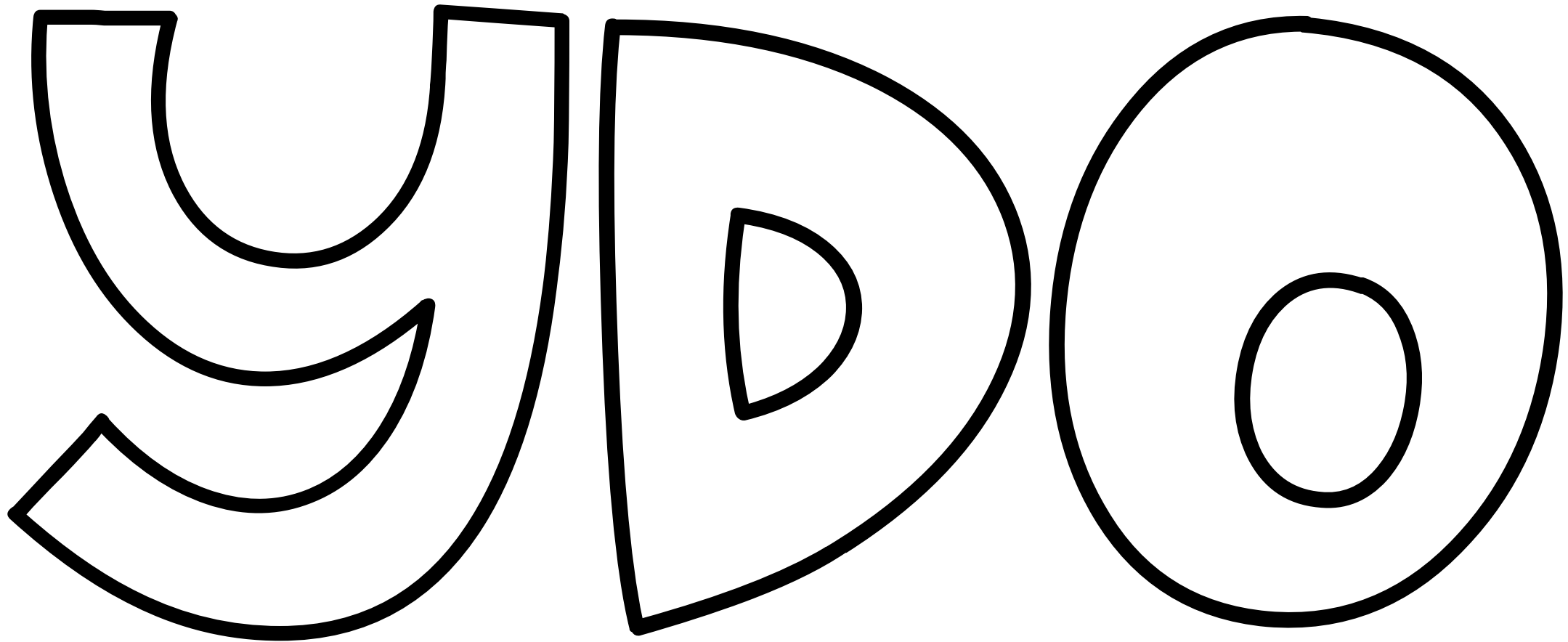
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How can I explore PLAYdough in different ways?



PLA

Print on coloured cardstock to create your very own coloured letters to use as a banner.



Print on coloured cardstock to create your very own coloured letters to use as a banner.

WORLD

Print on coloured cardstock to create your very own coloured letters to use as a banner.

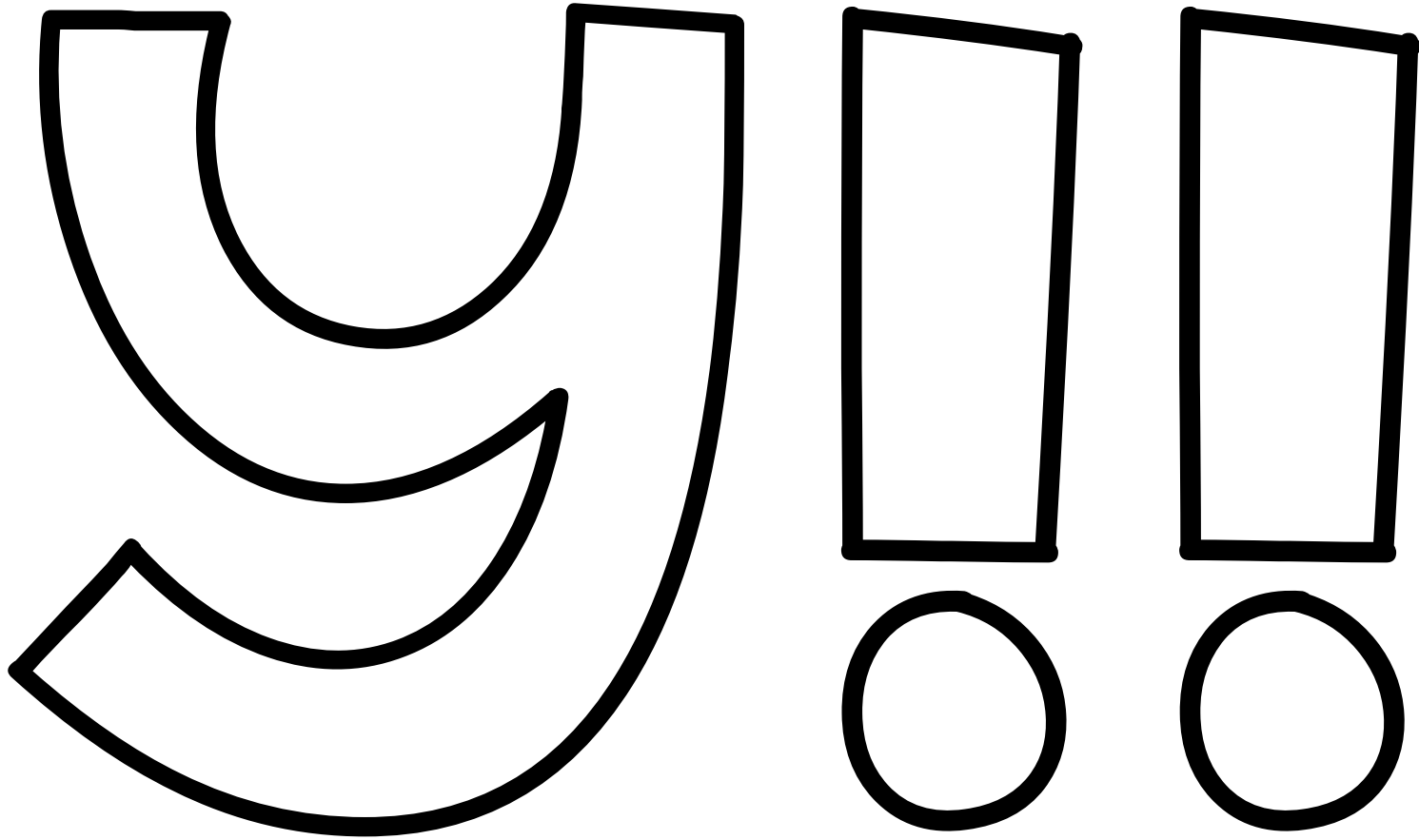
FANC

Print on coloured cardstock to create your very own coloured letters to use as a banner.



TOP

Print on coloured cardstock to create your very own coloured letters to use as a banner.



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playdough



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flat



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Rolling pin



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round



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cutters



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ball



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**Playdough Time Word Cards**

Print on paper and laminate for durability to create your very own card set.

squash



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pinch



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squish



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squeeze



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roll



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clump



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**Playdough Time Word Cards**

Print on paper and laminate for durability to create your very own card set.

maker



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smooth



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creator



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stretchy



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soft



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texture



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**Playdough Time Word Cards**

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brown



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yellow



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blue



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pink



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red



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green



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**Playdough Time Word Cards**

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# Playdough Time #1

## Dramatic PLAY



You will need:

- Playdough Factory Banner
  - Table and chairs
- Playdough (your own choice)
- Empty playdough containers for pretend playdough
- Playdough tools (cutters, rolling pins and stampers)
  - Placemat
- Floor mat (to catch any spills)
- Shop front on a table

### METHOD

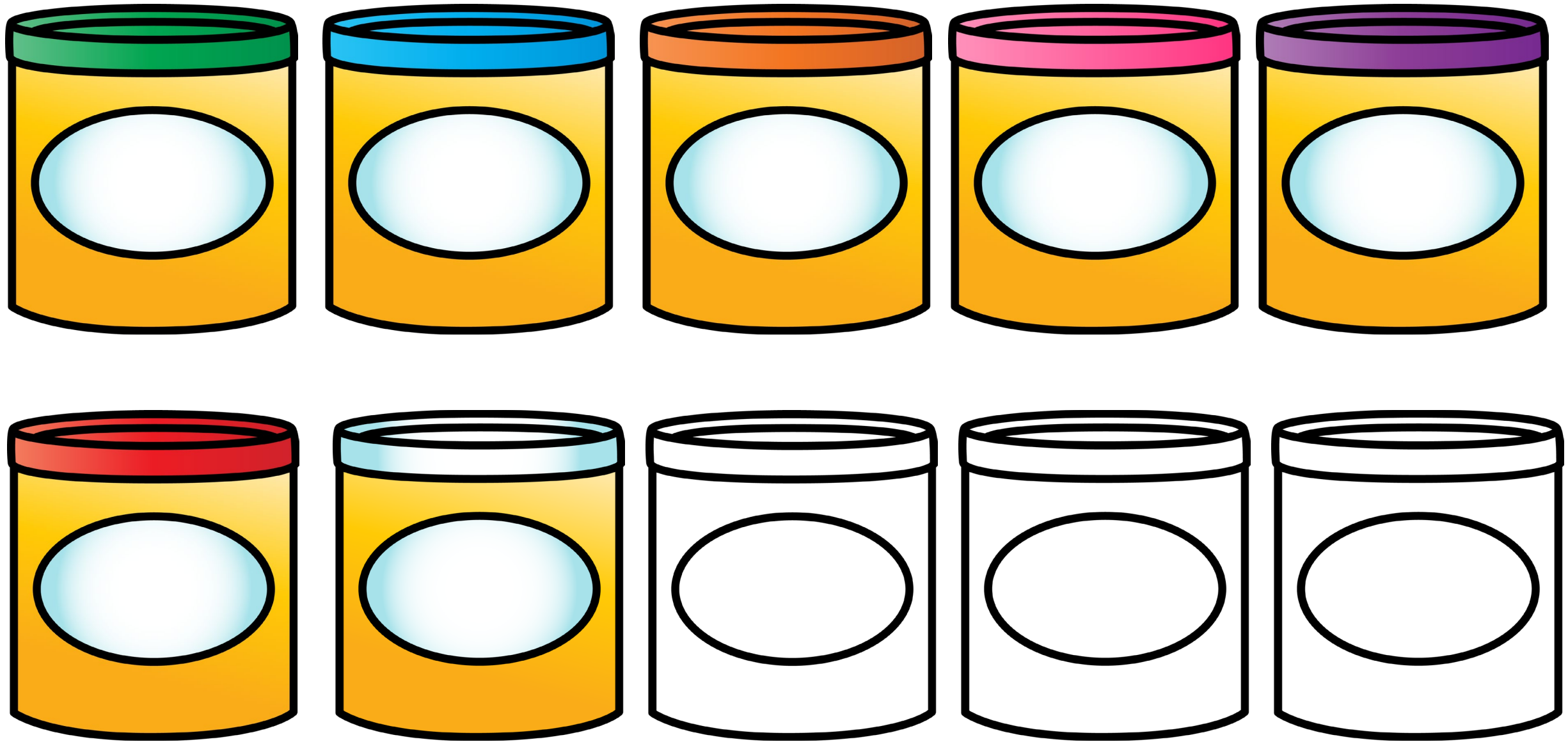
1. Design a playdough factory and shop front on paper using the suggested materials above.
2. Print the playdough label/s below and secure to the empty containers.
3. Set up a playdough factory and shop following the design.
4. Engage in pretend play, designing playdough creations ready to pretend sell at a shop front.

**Adult Supervision is required at all times.**

# Playdough Time Factory and Shop Design







Print on paper and secure with tape to an empty playdough container to create your very own pretend playdough.

# Playdough Time #2

## PLAYdough Recipe #1

You will need:

- 2 x cups of Flour
- 2 tbsp x Cooking Oil (we use coconut oil)
  - 3 tbsp x Cream of TarTar
  - 1 x cup of salt
- 2 x cups of water

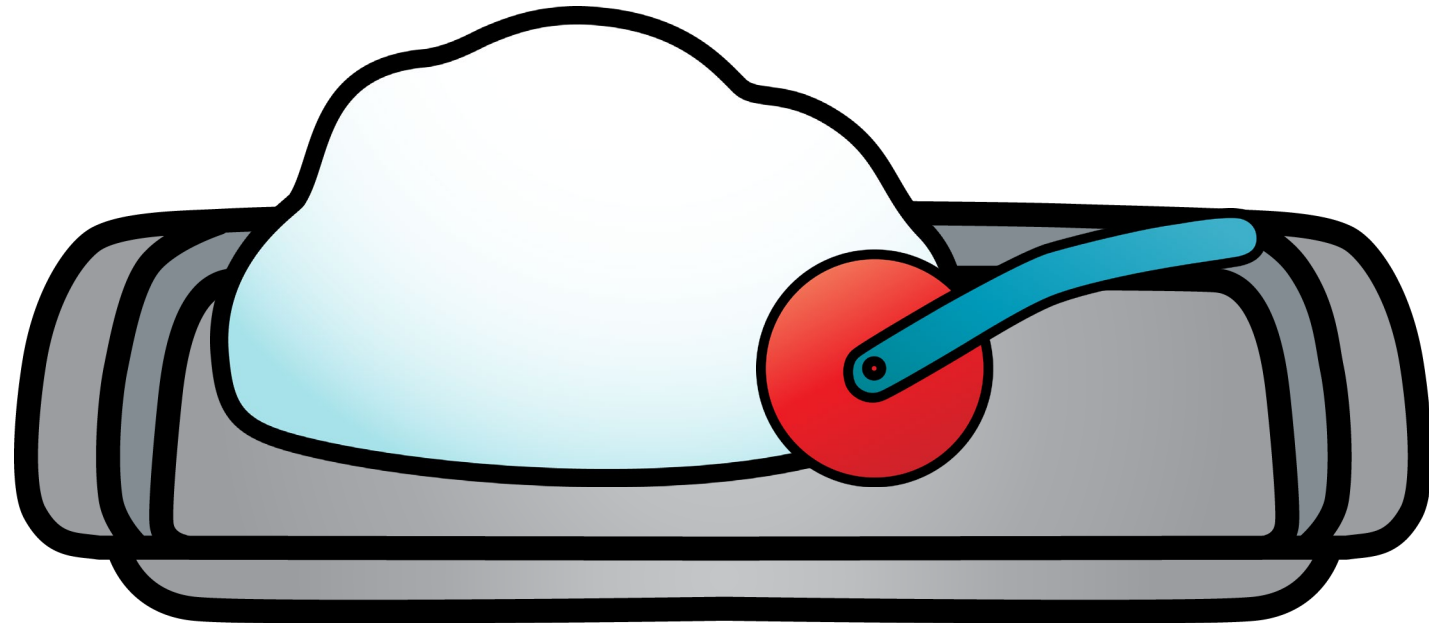
### METHOD

1. Mix all the ingredients together over a medium heat on the stove top for 3-5 minutes. Mix until the mixture congeals

NOTE - If the mixture is too runny or sticky, add a sprinkle of flour until you have reached the desired consistency.

Refer to the investigation question – how can I use playdough in different ways?

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# Playdough Time #3

PLAYdough Recipe #2 - [Where Learning Meets Play](#)



You will need

- 2 x cups of flour (packed)
- 2 tbsp of Cream of Tartar
  - ½ cup x salt
  - 3-4 tbsp oil
- Food colouring and essential oils (optional)

## METHOD

1. Add 1 ½ cups of boiled water.
2. Mix in a bowl then by hand on a clean surface.
3. Add extra flour if needed until consistency is great.  
NOTE - This is key to getting it right!
4. Store in a container
5. Always clean hands before use.

Recipe courtesy of Jen at [where learning meets play](#)

Refer to the investigation question – how can I use playdough in different ways?

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# Playdough Time #4

## Sensory PLAY with Rudie Nudie Play Mats

You will need:

- Playdough from recipe #1
- Floral pieces (you can use the whole flower)
- Playdough mat (check out [Rudie Nudie Play Mats](#))
  - Basket
  - Divider Tray
- Playdough tools and accessories
  - Floor Mat

### METHOD

1. Roll playdough into a series of balls.
2. Group floral items into different sections of the divider tray.
3. Place items in a way that looks interesting
4. Place divider tray on a flat surface eg, table
5. You may like to pop a floor mat and/or tea towel under the table to catch any pieces that may fall during play.
6. Add the basket next to the tray and filled with the playdough tools and accessories.
7. Enjoy and take photos to hang up in the factory.  
Refer to the investigation question – how can I use playdough in different ways?

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# Playdough Time #5

## Science PLAY Idea - Chemistry



You will need:

- Playdough Factory Dramatic Play Set Up
- Playdough Ingredients from recipe #2
  - 2 x cups of flour (packed)
  - 2 tbsp of Cream of Tartar
    - $\frac{1}{2}$  cup x salt
    - 3-4 tbsp oil
- Food colouring and essential oils (optional)
  - Mixing Bowl

### METHOD

1. Follow recipe #2 however this time talk about the chemical reactions.
2. Eg, combining flour and salt = mixture with no chemical reaction  
Oil and water = don't mix (surface tension)  
Water and food colouring = coloured water (solution)

Refer to the investigation question – How can I use playdough in different ways?

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\* Surface Tension - a force that acts like an elastic skin. It makes oil float in water. It is less dense than water.

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## Investigative Question

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How can I explore PLAYdough in different ways?

Write and/or draw how you used playdough in your home.



# Weekly PLAY Planner



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning
Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon
Evening	Evening	Evening	Evening	Evening	Evening	Evening

Plan ahead and schedule block in Playdough PLAY this month.

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