

Basic Playdough

Great consistency and a long shelf life make this playdough a favorite among many teachers.

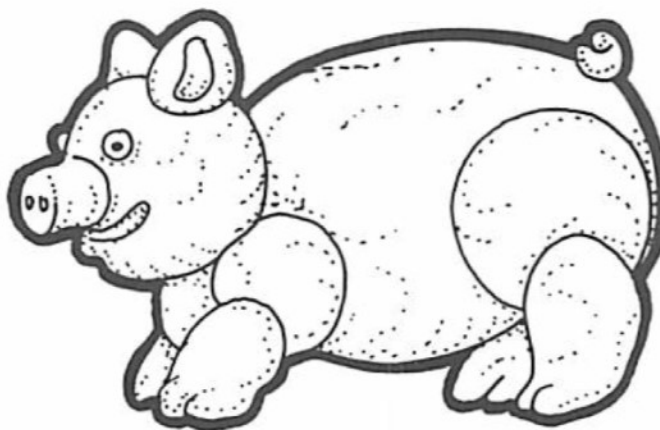
Yield: 8 portions

Ingredients:

2 cups flour
2 cups water
1 cup salt
4 tablespoons cream of tartar
2 teaspoons vegetable oil
Food coloring

Other Things You'll Need:

Saucepan
Heat source
Mixing spoon



Directions:

1. Mix flour, water, salt, cream of tartar and oil in saucepan.
2. Add food coloring to mixture.
3. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly.
4. Remove from heat when dough forms a ball.
5. Cool 5 minutes before using.

Tips:

- This dough will keep in an airtight container for months, but we suggest replacing high-usage doughs every three weeks.

Suggestions and Variations:

- For special effects, add glitter, colored pasta or sand.
- This dough accepts scents well. Scent your dough according to a theme or season. Try adding banana extract, nutmeg, lemon extract, vanilla, pumpkin pie spice or spearmint extract. Mmm!