



Pumpkin Pie Cloud Dough

Although the Pumpkin Pie Cloud Dough is not edible, it is a great way to take a concept kids may have recently become familiar with (through sweet treats like pumpkin pie) and use it to foster education!

How Can I Use This in My Lesson Plan?

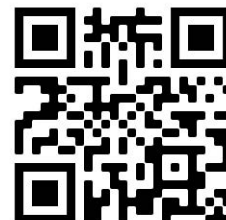
Pumpkin Pie Cloud Dough can be used to promote learning in a variety of ways. With proper adult supervision, kids can participate in creating the dough. Having kids help measure the ingredients is a way of incorporating math into the activity in a fun and unique way! You can even introduce early scientific themes by having kids make predictions about what will happen when new ingredients are added into the mix and keep track of the results.

After the Pumpkin Pie Cloud Dough is formed and ready to play with, kids will be able to enhance their cognitive skills by engaging with their senses of touch, sight, and smell in an interactive manner. This hands-on experience will allow kids to foster creativity while discovering new ideas through their senses. Sensory play activities such as this have been linked to improvements in problem solving, critical thinking, social learning, and motor skills in young children, making Pumpkin Pie Cloud Dough the perfect activity for kids to learn and grow!

Required Materials:

- Orange Powdered Tempera Paint (Item #7152-RG)
- 4 cups of flour
- 1/2 cup of canola or vegetable oil
- Pumpkin pie spice

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1. Gather Your Materials

To begin, gather flour, canola or vegetable oil, pumpkin pie spice, orange powdered tempera paint, a mixing spoon, and a bowl to mix the ingredients into. If possible, encourage kids to participate in creating the dough because it's a great opportunity to learn! Be sure to carefully supervise them if they are helping to create the dough.

2. Create Your Pumpkin Pie Cloud Dough

First, add 4 cups of flour to the bowl. Then, add 1/2 cup of oil and mix it in. Next, the orange powdered tempera paint should be sprinkled over the mixture and stirred in. Finally, sprinkle pumpkin pie spice over the mixture and stir it one last time. With that, your Pumpkin Pie Cloud Dough has been formed!

3. Watch As Kids Enjoy

Now that the dough is ready, watch as kids engage with their innermost creativity while learning through this multisensory experience. Encourage them to mold the dough into a pumpkin shape (or other fun shapes) and they are bound to have fun!

