



Clay/Dough Aliens

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Baby & Toddler



3-5 years



6-12 years



Multiage

HOW DO I SET UP & PLAY?

- Set out the dough or clay in large lumps along with the collage materials and other tools.
- Encourage children to manipulate the clay or dough into the shape they want their alien to take then begin designing and decorating.
- Take creations home to show off on a paper plate or piece of cardboard from the recycle bin

EXTENDING LEARNING SPARKS

- Challenge older children to use only clay and toothpicks to create their alien.
- Help younger children to trace around their hand on paper then encourage them to use markers and stick-on eyes to decorate their alien.
- Provide access to recyclables and other open-ended resources for children to make their own alien spaceship.



Challenging my fine motor muscles



Exploring & using my senses

WHAT MATERIALS DO I NEED?

- Clay (air dry or wet) or Playdough (try this easy microwave playdough or this 'air-dry clay' recipe to make your own versions fast)
- Assorted collage and open-ended materials to ignite creativity - googly eyes, yoghurt squeeze lids, pipe cleaners, twigs, leaves, buttons, Mr Potato Head pieces, patty papers, wool strands....anything you think children might find interesting to help them create an alien....or anything else they want to.
- Tools like toothpicks, straws, rollers etc to help manipulate dough or clay.