

## 'Mud' playdough

### What you need

- 4 cups plain flour
- 1 cup cocoa
- 5 cups of water
- 2 1/2 cups cooking salt
- 10 tablespoons cooking oil
- 3 tablespoons cream of tartar

### What to do

1. Place all the dry ingredients into a saucepan
2. Add the water and oil to mix and stir over a low heat on the stove.
3. Keep stirring the mix until it starts to thicken and form a lump.
4. You will know the mud dough is ready when it is no longer sticky.
5. Tip onto a dry surface and cool the dough until ready to use.

**Note:** Dough can be stored in a plastic bag or in an airtight container in the fridge for about 1-2 weeks.

## Ideas to try

- Add some cookie cutters to the dough mix and the dough becomes 'chocolate biscuits'
- Suggest to your child/children that they add little plastic cars and diggers, pebbles and stones, and the play might become a construction site.
- The story Mrs Wishy Washy is available at the link– <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qxmFDA9zdNM> Try watching this story together online and then add some small plastic farm animals to the mud playdough.

