



SDPB Early Learning Initiative

Our mission is to ensure that every child in South Dakota enters kindergarten ready for school and for life, supported by informed and engaged parents, professional educators, and caregivers.

Scan the QR code to view all our fun early learning resources!

Or visit SDPB.org/ELI



FREE Educational Resources

For Parents, Educators, and Caregivers

All resources align with South Dakota Early Learning Guidelines



PBS KIDS Videos

PBS KIDS videos are grouped by age & learning topic. Watch on TV, download the PBS KIDS app, and stream 24/7!



Interactive Games

Featuring all your favorite PBS KIDS shows and characters aligned by topics and accessible via the website and PBS KIDS app!



Early Learning Resources

Activities, lessons, and articles to support early learning in literacy, math, social and emotional skills, science, health and physical development, social studies, the arts, and more.



Outreach & Professional Development

Training, events, and other information from PBS, SDPB, and our local partners to help you build skills to support early learners.



Early Learning Links

Subscribe to our weekly newsletter to receive educational tips dedicated to early learning.





Nature CAT

IT'S SLIME TIME!

DIFFICULTY: EASY (REQUIRES ADULT SUPERVISION)

It's gooey and sticky and squishy! It's slime! Plants, animals – even you – make a kind of slime to help stay healthy. Nature Cat, Daisy, Squeeks, and Hal used slime to keep Ronald away from Nature Cat's favorite ball of yarn. Here's how YOU can make super squishy edible slime. What will you use it for?



MATERIALS



- Two cups water
- Three heaping teaspoons of Tapioca Flour (also called Tapioca Starch)
- All natural food coloring (optional)
- One teaspoon small pearl tapioca (optional) (works best if you soak in water for several hours before cooking)
- Saucepan
- Wooden spoon
- Heat-safe bowl

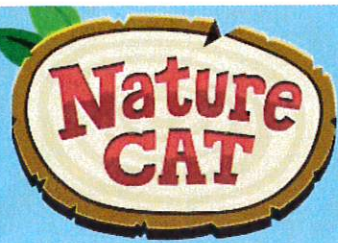


LET'S MAKE SOME SLIME!

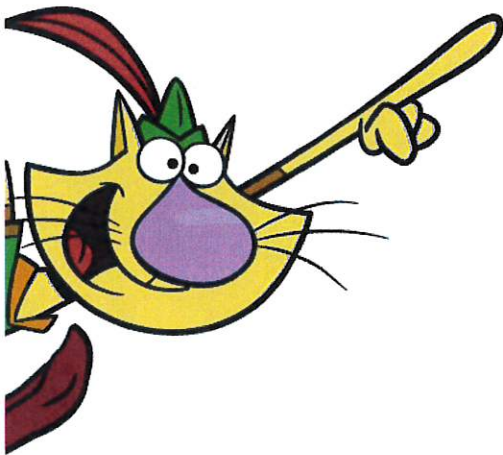
- 1 Combine the water and tapioca in a saucepan and stir until dissolved. Add five drops of food coloring (optional).
- 2 Bring to a boil over medium-high heat while stirring constantly. You will notice the color change from opaque to transparent.
- 3 Reduce heat and continue cooking for 5 to 10 minutes.



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- 4 As the mixture starts to thicken, use the spoon to scrape along the bottom and the sides.
- 5 When the slime is ready, pour into a heat-safe bowl and let cool. Less time will produce a more liquid-like slime. Boiling the mixture longer will make it gooier. It's up to you! The mixture will continue to thicken overnight.
- 6 It's Slime Time!



A CLOSER LOOK AT SLIME

What does the slime feel like?

Is it a liquid like water?

Or is it solid like a rock?



NOTE FOR PARENTS AND TEACHERS

- This activity can also be done with a microwave, by putting the ingredients in a bowl and microwaving for three to four minute intervals. Stir and check for desired consistency between each heating.
- The disadvantage here is that children can't watch the thickening process as it shifts from liquid to semi solid.



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SESAME WORKSHOP™

The Sesame Workshop website has tons of resources that help kids (and parents) with what matters most in young lives; health and wellness, social-emotional skills, and school readiness. All are critical to children's healthy development...and together they build the foundation for a happy, healthy life.

TOPICS IN THREE CATEGORIES:

HEALTHY BODIES, HEALTHY MINDS

Asthma
Autism
Eating Well
Emotional Well-Being
Family Bonding
Health and Hygiene
Parenting
Race, Ethnicity, and Culture
Social Emotional Skills

TOUGH TOPICS

Coronavirus
Divorce
Emergencies
Foster Care
Grief
Homelessness
Incarceration
Military Families
Parental Addiction
Displacement and Resettlement
Traumatic Experiences
Veterans
Violence

ABCs AND 123s

Science
Art
Financial Education
Language and Literacy
Math
School Readiness

VISIT

SESAMEWORKSHOP.ORG
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SDPB Programming and the South Dakota Early Learning Guidelines

This matrix shows PBS programming currently running on SDPB in each of the South Dakota Early Learning Guidelines Domains. The age range appropriate for each program is also displayed.

Social & Emotional Learning							
Age 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Daniel Tiger							
Sesame Street							
	Clifford						
		Arthur					
			Xavier Riddle				
	Donkey Hodie						

Literacy							
Age 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Sesame Street							
Super Why!							
		Molly of Denali					
Word World							
		Arthur					

Health & Physical Development							
Age 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Sesame Street							

Cognitive - Social Studies						
Age 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Let's Go Luna!				
		Molly of Denali				
	Elinor Wonders Why					
Sesame Street						

Cognitive - Science*							
Age 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Splash & Bubbles							
	Curious George						
	Elinor Wonders Why						
	The Cat in the Hat						
	Dinosaur Train						
	Nature Cat						
		Wild Kratts					
		Hero Elementary					
Sesame Street							

* Including Nature, Life Science, Engineering & Technology

Cognitive - Math**						
Age 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Peg + Cat					
	Curious George					
	Elinor Wonders Why					
	Sesame Street					
	The Cat in the Hat					
		Cyberchase				
			Odd Squad			

** Including Engineering & Technology

Cognitive - The Arts						
Age 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Pinkalicious					
Sesame Street						

New Shows!

*Alma's Way for 4-6 year olds and focuses on Social/Emotional Learning
Rosie's Rules for 3-6 year olds and focuses on Social Studies*

SDPB Games & Early Learning Guidelines



This matrix shows PBS game categories within each of the domains of the South Dakota Early Learning Guidelines. PBS Games are often changed and updated.
More games on the back!

Cognitive - The Arts

Arts Games

Dress Up Games

Create Games

Music Games

Coloring Games

Cognitive - Math

(Including Engineering and Technology)

Engineering Games

Number Games

Math Games

Problem-Solving Games

Measurement Games

Shape Games

Cognitive - Science

(Including, Nature, Life Science, Engineering and Technology)

Animals Games

Nature Games

Dinosaurs Games

Science Games

Dog Games

Space Games

Engineering Games

Cognitive - Social Studies

Adventure Games

Social Studies Games

Friends and Neighbors

Teamwork Games

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www.sdpb.org/earlylearning/gamesandinteractives



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Games Continued

Health and Physical Development

Adventure Games
Healthy Habits Games

Summer Games

Language, Literacy and Communication

Letter Games
Reading Games
Rhyming Games
Spanish Games

Spelling Games
Stories Games
Vocabulary Games

Social and Emotional Learning

Emotional Growth
Feeling Games
Friends and Neighbors

Routines Games
Teamwork Games

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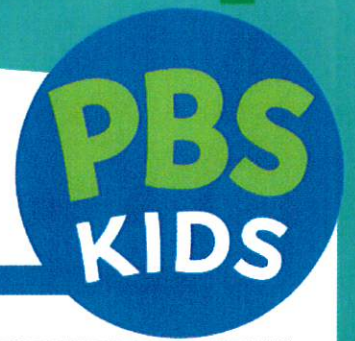
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Alma's Way	Social + Emotional Learning ▾							
Arthur	Literacy ▾ Social + Emotional Learning ▾							
Cat in the Hat	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Clifford	Social + Emotional Learning ▾							
Curious George	Cognitive Math* ▾ Cognitive Science** ▾							
Cyber Chase	Cognitive Math* ▾							
Daniel Tiger	Social + Emotional Learning ▾							
Dinosaur Train	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Donkey Hodie	Social + Emotional Learning ▾							
Elinor Wonders Why	Cognitive Math* ▾ Cognitive Science** ▾ Cognitive Social Studies ▾							
Hero Elementary	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Let's Go Luna!	Cognitive Social Studies ▾							
Martha Speaks	Literacy ▾							
Molly of Denali	Literacy ▾ Cognitive Social Studies ▾							
Nature Cat	Cognitive Science** ▾							

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Odd Squad	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Peg + Cat	Cognitive Math* ▾							
Pinkalicious	Cognitive Arts ▾							
Ready Jet Go!	Cognitive Social Studies ▾							
Rosies Rules	Cognitive Social Studies ▾							
Sesame Street	Cognitive Arts ▾ Cognitive Math* ▾ Cognitive Science** ▾ Cognitive Social Studies ▾ Health + Physical Development ▾ Literacy ▾ Social + Emotional Learning ▾							
Sid the Science Kid	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Splash + Bubbles	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Super Why!	Literacy ▾							
Team Hamster! And the Ruff Fuffman Show	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Xavier Riddle	Social + Emotional Learning ▾							
Wild Kratts	Cognitive Science** ▾							
Word Girl	Literacy ▾							
Word World	Literacy ▾							
Work It Out Wombats!	Cognitive Math* ▾							

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