

HYDRO DIPPING



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Be careful with this craft!

Hydro dipping is a super fun project that creates beautiful swirling patterns. The effect is created when paint that is resting on top of water is transferred to paper or an object through dipping.

Materials:

- Spray Paint in Various Colors
- Large Container (Plastic Bin/Large Aluminum Pans)
- Paint Stick (or something else to stir the paint)
- Clear Spray Sealant
- Warm Water
- Mask
- Rubber Gloves

- Things to Dip: Paper (watercolor paper works well), ceramic cups, Plastic Desk Supplies, Metal Water Bottles, Rubber Flip Flops.

IMPORTANT!

The Science of Hydro-Dipping:
Water is denser than the spray paint used in hydro dipping, so the paint floats on top of the water instead of mixing with it. That's why we use warm water. Molecules speed up and move further apart when heated, decreasing density.



WARNING

NOTE: You will need an adult's help for this one!

NOTE: Ask permission before you start dipping things!

NOTE: This project should be done outside or somewhere with good ventilation.

Directions:

1. Fill a container with warm water.
2. Spray one color into the water.
3. Add more colors.
4. Use a paint stick to swirl the colors together.
5. Lay paper across the surface and watch it "pick-up" the paint.
6. Try dipping other items into the water.
7. Add more paint and keep dipping!

If you'd like to post your hydro dipping, let us know with the hashtag #Storyologist!

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