



Making Christmas Ornaments

Name: _____

Date: _____

Play Dough Recipe

2 Cups of flour
2 Tablespoons cream of tartar
1 Tablespoon of mineral oil
1 Cup of salt
2 Cups of water
Food coloring (your choice)

To make the play dough recipe you will mix all ingredients in a saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring until stiff. Allow the mixture to cool, then knead the dough by rolling it and squeezing it in your hands. The play dough must be stored in a zip lock bag until you use it or it will dry out and become hard.

To make the ornaments you will need Christmas cookie cutters in all different shapes. Roll out the play dough and cut the dough with the cookie cutters. Place a hole at the top of the shape for a hanger to go through. You can use pretty ribbon, yarn, or string to pull through the hole for the hanger. These are nice gifts to give to your teachers, parents, and friends at Christmas time to hang out their Christmas tree, and they are so special because they were made by you!

Answer each of the following questions.

1. What is a recipe?

- a. Something used to color things
- b. A Christmas gift
- c. Directions for cooking something
- d. None of these

2. What does the word knead mean?

- a. To kick
- b. To stomp
- c. To roll back and fourth and squeeze
- d. To sing

3. What is an ornament?

- a. Something to paint
- b. Something to hang on the tree
- c. Foods to eat
- d. None of these

4. Why must you use a bag to keep the dough in?

- a. So it will not dry out
- b. To keep it dry
- c. To keep it pretty
- d. To use ribbon

5. Why do you need to put a hole in the top of the ornament?

- a. To see through
- b. For a hanger
- c. To color it
- d. For baking

6. What do you need to do after you get all the ingredients mixed together?

- a. Knead the dough
- b. Put in the hole
- c. Cook in a saucepan
- d. Place in bag

7. Which of the following IS true?

- a. You do not need to cook the dough
- b. Use ribbon, yarn, or string to make the hanger
- c. Let the dough get dry and hard.
- d. None of these

8. What is the LAST thing you will do with the ornaments?

- a. Knead the dough
- b. Cook in saucepan
- c. Cut out the shapes
- d. Give them as gifts

9. What is the FIRST thing you will need to do to make the ornaments?

- a. Place the dough in a bag
- b. Cook the dough
- c. Mix all ingredients together
- d. Knead the dough

10. What should you do after the dough has cooled?

- a. Cook it
- b. Knead it
- c. Cut out the shapes
- d. Make the hanger

11. Who could you give the ornaments to as gifts?

- a. Teachers
- b. Parents
- c. Friends
- d. All of these