DIY 3 Ingredient Finger Paint

Making your own homemade paint with kids is a hands-on process that helps children understand that store-bought products are not the only way! This recipe is simple, non-toxic, and uses 3 ingredients you can easily find at home. Not to mention, it’s pretty rewarding seeing your own art materials come to life! This is also a great project to explore color mixing and how different colors react to one another.

Gather materials:
- Mixing Bowl
- Measuring Cups
- Food Coloring
- ½ Cup Flour
- ¼ Cup Salt
- 1 Cup Water
- Ice Cube Tray / Squeeze Bottles

1. In a mixing bowl, combine your water and salt.

2. Gather materials:
Slowly start mixing in the flour.

Once fully combined, the mixture should feel like that of a smoothie. Add water or flour as needed to adjust consistency.

Pour the mixture into paint containers. This could be an ice cube tray, small bowls, squeeze bottles, or whatever else you have on hand. If you like, preorder squeeze bottles for easy storing.

Add 6-8 drops of food coloring in each container. Depending on what shade you want, you can add more or less drops. Add fewer drops if you want a pastel color. This is a great time to experiment with color mixing!
HERE ARE SOME BASIC COLOR COMBINATIONS:

3 Drops Yellow + 2 Drops Red = Orange

3 Drops Yellow + 3 Drops Blue = Green

4 Drops Red + 2 Drops Blue = Purple

5 Drops Yellow + 1-2 Drops Blue = Lime Green

1 Drop Green + 5 Drops Blue = Turquoise

Paint as usual! Paint will completely dry on paper. Store with lid or cover, and shake well before each use.