



Activity: Raised-Salt Word Painting

Phonics and word recognition materials help enhance reading instruction for students. This activity will help foster the child's ability to recognize phonics or words by "revealing" it through the "experiment."



Learning Targets:

- I will say the phonic sound of each letter.
- I will put phonic sounds together to make a word.
- I will discover how salt reacts as it absorbs the watercolor.

Materials Needed:

- Card stock.
- Glue.
- Salt.
- Food coloring/Liquid Watercolor.
- Paintbrushes or droppers.

Directions/Instruction:

1. Use the glue to "write" letters/words onto your card stock.
2. Sprinkle with salt until the glue is thoroughly covered. Tip to let excess salt fall away.
3.) Dip your paint brush into liquid watercolor paint then gently "paint" the salt-covered glue lines.
3. Watch the paint "magically" travel in both directions! (STEM TIP: The colors spread as they are absorbed by the grains of salt.



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Not ready yet: Use the glue to pre-write letters/words for your child. Sound out each letter and then put them together to “read” the word. Allow your child to model it as you speak. Provide hand-over-hand assistance during the activity.

Need a challenge: Encourage your child to write letters/words (using the glue) on the cardstock. Give verbal instructions and allow your child to do the activity independently.

Visuals/Examples:



Ready Rosie & Videos



- How to make Raised Salt Paintings: <https://youtu.be/Vdb16FtbaRI> (Video)
- Salt and Water Colors: <https://youtu.be/56cZQZXJCK> (Video)
- Lazy Letters-saying the sound of each letter:
<https://app.readyrosie.com/en/videos/152>