

Play Clay

Vocabulary: Long, short, thin, thick, cube, half, whole, quarter, equal, flat, straight, curve.

Material: Any type of play clay will do or you can use the following recipe:

You need 2 cups of flour, 4 teaspoons of cream of tartar, 1 cup salt, 1 ½ to 2 cups of boiling water, 3-4 tablespoons vegetable oil, and food coloring. Add oil and food coloring to boiling water. Combine remaining ingredients and mix well. As you knead it the dough will get smoother. Store the clay in airtight containers.

Instructions: Clay lends itself to endless variations and use of vocabulary. Just play trying to get them to follow along using as many vocabulary words as you can. Once you have introduced the vocabulary words you can have one child direct the others at the table.