

## Here are some other ideas for do-at-home art projects. Choose from the following:

1. Coffee painting - ask your parents to brew a pot of really strong coffee, and use it like you would use watercolor paints. Dilute with water for lighter tones, use full strength for darks.
2. Household object color wheel - go on a scavenger hunt around your house and collect colorful everyday objects that you arrange in a circle, creating an accurate color wheel. Use as many objects as you can find, and make sure you arrange them in the correct order. Take a photo as proof. Put everything away when you are done.
3. Make homemade play dough (scroll down for the recipe) - use it to make a sculpture or to create stop-motion animation using the free app "Stop Motion Studio"
4. Tableaux Vivantes - this is the French term for "Living Picture". Find a famous work of art and reproduce it in real life as accurately as you can by posing yourself and/or family members exactly like the people in the artwork, and recreating the costumes and scene as closely as you can.
5. Food art - make a gingerbread house (or use graham crackers), learn how to do fancy cupcake decorating, or make sugar cookies and create marbled designs on top with Royal Icing.
6. Outdoor nature sculpture - look up the artwork of British artist Andy Goldsworthy. Go outside and find natural materials to use to create a work of art in his style. Take photographs as proof.
7. Observational drawing - collect a few interesting object and group them together in a still life on the table in front of you. Carefully observe the shapes and details and make a drawing of what you see. Take this even further by shining a strong light on your still life from the side and adding shadows.
8. Bob Ross painting - have paint at home? Pick a Bob Ross video to follow along to, pausing it as often as you need to to keep up. You will probably need to simplify some of his techniques. **Not recommended: cleaning your paintbrush at home the way Bob Ross does in his studio!** No paint? Play Bob Ross Bingo! Scroll down for a blank bingo card and "Bob Ross-isms" to fill it out with. Then watch a Bob Ross video, and every time he says or does one of the things on your card, put a marker on that space. Great fun to play with the whole family!
9. Embroidery - watch some embroidery tutorials and use colorful embroidery thread to sew a decorative design onto an item of clothing.
10. "Little Lessons at Home" - a series of short youtube videos by Ms. Kit Lang that show you how to do a whole bunch of interesting things with materials you can find at home. Examples: nail polish marbled paper, make your own paint brush and watercolor paints, DIY tiny books, robot heads, and more.
11. Alphabet Photography challenge - take close-up photos of everyday objects that just happen to form the letters of the alphabet. Can you find ways to photograph all 26 letters?

12. Geocaching trinkets - make a bunch of matching trinkets, go geocaching, and leave them in the caches when you find them. Ideas for trinkets: teeny-tiny paintings, miniature play dough animals (let dry before putting in cache), origami, a small piece of embroidery
13. Repurpose old clothes - got lots of clothes you've outgrown or that are ripped or stained? Cut them up and repurpose them into something new: a quilt, tote bags, scrunchies, pot holders, pet toys, mittens, a hat, doll clothes, a bed for a hedgehog...
14. Learn to knit or crochet
15. DIY journal - look up instructions for easy ways to make your own journal or sketch book, and fill it with images, writing, drawings, or collage.
16. Explore the amazing resource of the Google Arts and Culture website. Amazing things to learn about!
17. Watch some **GOOD** tv!
  - a. Netflix suggestions: Abstract, the Creative Mind, Bob Ross, Great Pottery Throwdown, Blown Away
  - b. Amazon Prime suggestions:
  - c. YouTube suggestions:
18. Make some sock puppets, put on a show. Can't think of an original show? Do a parody of an existing one - Sock Puppet "Friends", anyone?
19. Advanced online art tutorials - these are better than anything you'll find on youtube! Check out **artprof.org**
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# HOW TO MAKE PLAYDOUGH

Playdough ingredients:

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup salt
- 4 teaspoons cream of tartar
- 2 cups lukewarm water
- 2 Tablespoons of vegetable oil (coconut oil works too)
- Food coloring, optional
- Quart sized bags

Stir together the flour, salt and cream of tartar in a large pot. Next add the water and oil. If you're only making one color, add in the color now as well. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly. Continue stirring until the dough has thickened and begins to form into a ball. Remove from heat and then place inside a gallon sized bag or onto wax paper. Allow to cool slightly and then knead until smooth. If you're adding colors after, divide the dough into balls (for how many colors you want) and then add the dough into the quart sized bags. Start with about 5 drops of color and add more to brighten it. Knead the dough, while inside the bag so it doesn't stain your hands. Once it's all mixed together you're ready to PLAY.

Store the play dough inside the bags once done to keep soft. Keeps for up to 3 months.

# ***Bob Ross BINGO!***

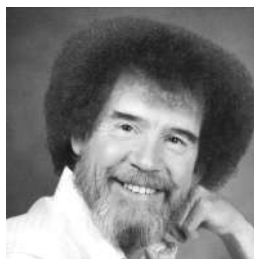
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# “Bob Ross-isms”

*(you may need to repeat a few items in order to fill out your card)*

Happy little tree/cloud/mountain

Now, then

Liquid white

Titanium white

Alizarin crimson

Phthalo blue

In your world/In this world

Something “needs a friend”

Shoot!

What the heck!

Let’s get crazy!

\*Brush cleaning sound\*

Beat the devil out of it

Criss-cross brush strokes

We don’t have mistakes, we have happy accidents

Appearance or mention of Peapod the Pocket Squirrel

Little rascal

Bravery test

Big decision