

Clay Cake Slice



- [Slab Cake Box - MRS. ZOTOS \(weebly.com\)](http://weebly.com)





Student examples



Design your cake box

Think about

- A theme? – soccer, beach, pets,
 - Cake, pie, watermelon, pizza, ice-cream
 - Decorations – sprinkles, sauce, whipped cream, cherry, strawberry, drizzle/drips
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- How will you show different textures?

Clay day

Roll your clay into a slab about as thick as your finger (~1cm)

Trace and cut template pieces onto your slab

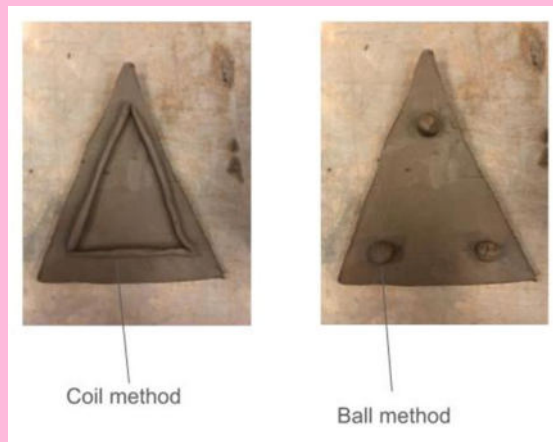
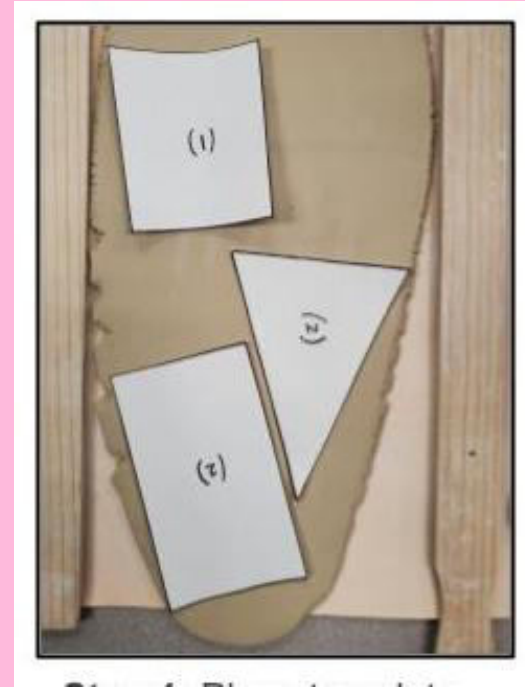
Add your base texture/details to your pieces. (Not your big features) **Scratch your name into the underside of your base**

Scratch and attach your sides to your base. Smooth it down well.

Roll a small coil and press into the corners to help attach your pieces.

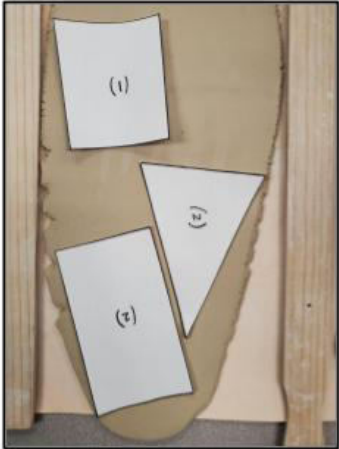
On the under side of your lid, attach a coil or spheres to fit the lid to the base – check it fits in your box. **Scratch your name in**

Add your final decorations- make sure you scratch and attach



Cake Template -Steps

Tracing the template on a slab of clay.



Step 1: Place template on the slab. Use up all the space available



Step 2: Arrange the template as best you can. Try to get as many shapes from the slab as possible.



Step 3: Carefully cut out all the shapes from the slab. Place each one on a small sheet of paper.



Step 4: Stack the slab shapes biggest to smallest on a black board. Wedge the leftover clay. Replace the sheets of paper between days.

lip

OR

Roll 3 small balls, score and slip $\frac{1}{2}$ inch around the inside of the lid



Coil method



Ball method



Clay cupcakes

- [Clay Cupcakes \(5th\) | Art with Mrs. Nguyen \(artwithmrsnguyen.com\)](https://artwithmrsnguyen.com)

<https://wowartproject.com/2017/05/14/3rd-grade-clay-cupcakes/>

<https://splatsscrapsandglueblobs.blogspot.com/2011/02/clay-cupcakes-part-1.html>



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Pinch Pot



Get Clay

Grab a lump of clay that is about the size of a softball. Although you may be tempted to grab more clay, it will be harder to work with in your hands and difficult to get even walls throughout the whole bowl.



Wedge and Roll

Knead your clay to ensure that all the air bubbles are out. Then, roll the clay into a smooth sphere. If the clay is cracking, add a little water using a spray bottle or dip your fingers in water and smooth out the clay. Water is the healer for cracked clay!



Create a Hole

Use your thumb to push a hole in the center of the clay. Go about 3/4 of the way through the sphere. Make sure you hold the sphere cupped in your other hand as you do not want a flat bottom!



Pinch and Open

Gently pinch with your thumb and fingers to form the bowl. Go all the way around in a circle turning the bowl to create even walls. Be gentle with pinching so that you don't create lumps or finger marks!



Create Even Walls

Pinch all the areas on the bowl as you turn it in your hand. Pinch the sides, the rounded portion of the bowl (as seen in the picture), and the bottom. The bowl should have the same wall thickness throughout sections of the bowl.



Create Even Lip

Turn the bowl upside down and tap it on the table to create an even lip. Then, repinch or smooth out any thickened walls. Another option would be to trim the lip with a fettling knife and smooth out any bumps.

Clay day

- Create a pinch pot. Press into silicone cupcake mold. (or flatten the bottom and roll on corrugated cardboard, or draw your own “wrapper texture”)

Scratch your name into the base.

- Create a long coil (try to keep it the same thickness all the way along).
- Make a circle with your coil, lay the long end on top of your starting circle and keep curling. Make each layer a little smaller than the last until it meets in the middle.
- Turn your coiled “top” over and smooth the inside together. **Scratch your name on the inside.**
- Make sure your “top” and “base” fit together.
- Add any other decorations – strawberries/cherries...



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