

How To Make 3-Ingredient Slime Without Borax

Makes 2 cups, enough for 1 kid

Ingredients

- 2 (4-ounce) bottles washable school glue, such as Elmer's (see note for variations)
- 1 to 2 drops liquid food coloring (optional)
- 1/4 cup glitter (optional)
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 to 3 tablespoons saline solution (i.e., contact lens solution), divided

Equipment

- Glass or plastic mixing bowl
- Mixing spoon
- Airtight container for storage

Instructions

1. **Color the glue (optional):** Pour the glue into a medium bowl. Stir in the food coloring and glitter, if desired. This mixture doesn't need to be homogeneous, as you'll mix it even more after adding the baking soda.
2. **Add the baking soda:** Add the baking soda to the glue mixture and stir until smooth.
3. **Add the contact lens solution:** Pour in 2 tablespoons of the contact lens solution and stir slowly. The mixture should begin to harden, becoming stringy.
4. **Mix until a ball forms:** Continue mixing slowly until a ball of slime forms.
5. **Knead by hand:** Pick up the slime and work between your two hands, until smooth. If the slime is particularly slimy, work in another 1/2 tablespoon of contact lens solution as needed.
6. **PLAYING WITH SLIME!** Once mixed, you can play with the slime immediately or store for future play.
 - **Hidden Figures:** Fold small figures or cars into the slime and ask your children to find them.
 - **Polka-Dot Slime:** Fold 10 to 15 soft pom-poms into clear slime (no coloring, no glitter)
 - **Cut-and-Measure Slime:** Provide your kids with a metal or plastic ruler and kid-safe scissors. See who can stretch their slime the furthest. Or practice counting and cut the slime into 10-inch pieces.

Recipe Notes

- **Storage:** Store in an airtight container at room temperature.
- **Glitter glue slime:** Glitter glue is wonderful way to add glitter to your slime and it is much less messy, if you can find it. Skip the optional glitter called for here if using glitter glue.

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