

Patterned eggs – wax patterns or stickers

Have fun mixing colours with this activity

You will need

- Hard boiled eggs
- Wax crayons or stickers (these resist the dye)
- Cup / bowl and a spoon, to dip the egg
- Absorbent material (kitchen towel is best)
- Food dye (red, blue and yellow will create most colours)



What to do

- 1 Hard boil your eggs and allow to cool.
- 2 Draw patterns on your egg with your wax crayon, OR press stickers over your egg. (Shiny ones are best as they don't absorb as much dye).
- 3 Put 3-4 teaspoons of bright food dye into a cup or bowl and half fill with water. Using the spoon, immerse the egg in the dye ensuring that the whole egg is covered. Leave for 10 – 20 minutes depending on the depth of colour required.
- 4 When the egg is bright enough, lift the egg out with the spoon and place on the kitchen towel to dry. Allow to dry completely.
- 5 If you have used stickers, carefully peel them off to reveal the pale colour underneath. Admire your artwork and place the eggs in the fridge. Eat them within two days.

