



'TEACHER RESOURCES' LESSON PLAN NO. 4

TIE DYEING (Original works of Art)

SUITABLE FOR:

7 to 12yrs

RATING:

Easy Moderate **Hard**

VALUE:

The children will feel a great sense of achievement with this craft as all the designs are original works of art.

Tie Dyeing allows students to experience first hand how some fabrics are dyed, how the dye impregnates the fabric and how the intensity of the colour changes when the fabric is twisted.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

EC Craft Dyes

EC Craft Dye Fixer

Recycled ice cream containers

Pegs and elastic bands

Rubber gloves and aprons

Water

White or plain coloured T-shirt

METHOD:

Every student should wear gloves and an apron.

Follow the instructions on the bottle and mix the dye with water in the ice cream container.

Twist the T-shirt and use the pegs or elastic bands to hold them in place.

Submerge the garment in the dye solution overnight to set. You may wish to fill a recycled 2 litre milk bottle filled with water to hold the garment down under the dye solution.

Next morning, remove pegs and elastic bands and hang out to dry.

Apply the dye fixer.

TIPS:

Use a portion of an old sheet or any plain fabric as a tie dye and frame the result as an original work of art.

Rejuvenate an old pillow case with tie dye.