**The**[**benefits of using play dough for young children are wonderful**](https://theimaginationtree.com/2012/06/benefits-of-playing-with-play-dough.html)**and the play possibilities are endless!**

BEST EVER NO-COOK PLAY DOUGH RECIPE

**You need:**

* 2 cups [plain flour](https://amzn.to/2yun3O5) (all purpose)
* 2 tablespoons [vegetable oil](https://amzn.to/2JVZ935) [(baby oil](https://amzn.to/2JYHZCh) and [coconut oil](https://amzn.to/2Idr490) work too)
* 1/2 cup [salt](https://amzn.to/2I8wgv2)
* 2 tablespoons [cream of tartar](https://amzn.to/2ywL9aY)
* 1 to 1.5 cups boiling water (adding in increments until it feels just right)
* [gel food colouring](https://amzn.to/2K57twO) (optional)
* few drops [glycerine](https://amzn.to/2KbugqI) (secret ingredient for stretch and shine- but definitely not necessary.

**Method:**

* Mix the flour, salt, cream of tartar and oil in a large mixing bowl
* Add food colouring TO the boiling water then into the dry ingredients
* Stir continuously until it becomes a sticky, combined dough
* Add the glycerine (optional)
* Allow it to cool down then take it out of the bowl and knead it vigorously for a couple of minutes until all of the stickiness has gone. **\*** This is the most important part of the process, so keep at it until it’s the perfect consistency!**\***
* If it remains a little sticky then add a touch more flour until just right

*Voila!*

You can store this play dough in an air tight container.

Adding pipe cleaners, feathers, beads, buttons or even dried pasta can ignite imagination!