

# Magical Mammoth's Playdough Activity cards.

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Cut out the additional pieces below and again laminate –  
Use them to decorate the play dough once modelling is over!

## Play Dough activity cards

These activity cards are an extension to normal play with play dough.

Each individual card character has a part of it missing – a nose, eyes or tail etc!

Use the cards as a base picture for the children to recreate the missing part.

You could use colored playdough that corresponds to the picture – use the recipe given to make your playdough or purchase some from a local shop.

Encourage their descriptive vocabulary whilst you model together by talking to them about how big, small, long, short, furry, hairy, spiky etc the body part they are making is.

Also describe the texture and modelling method you are using with the playdough, eg. 'Is the dough soft, sticky hard, crusty, are you rolling, squashing, kneading, cutting?' etc.

Use all these cards with a flourish of language to extend on the vocabulary the children already have.

They are set out in groups of 4 cards; they cover different themes - again to help with your topical planning.

Print out, laminate or cover with sticky back plastic if you intend to use these cards repeatedly.

Otherwise, cover with plastic food wrap for the children to take home along with a ball of dough and maybe a small note to parents & carers on how to use the cards and then the children can continue their play at home.

Some of the cards have additional accessory pictures eg the reindeer's bells. This is so that the children can take their picture on further by decorating it. Use other collage items as well. Glitter and sequins for a Christmas effect, leaves, pebbles/stones, flowers for background effect!



## Basic Play dough recipe

2 mugs of flour

1 mug salt

2 tablespoons Oil

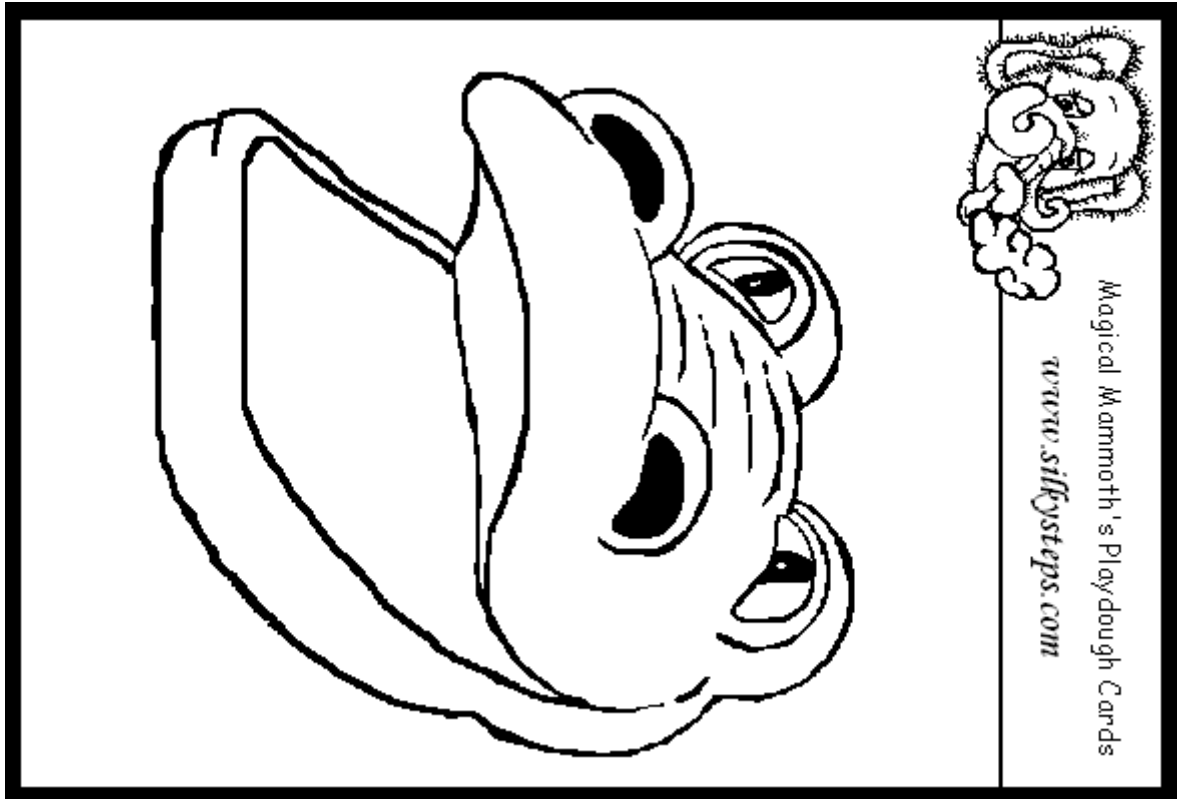
2 teaspoons cream of tartar

1 ½ mugs water

1. Place all the ingredients into a saucepan and mix together.  
Add the food coloring now if only one is to be used.
2. Cook over a medium heat until the mixture becomes a dough and leaves the sides of the pan cleanly.
3. Turn the dough out onto a floured surface and knead until it is smooth.
4. Cut into sections and color each one with different food dyes.

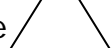



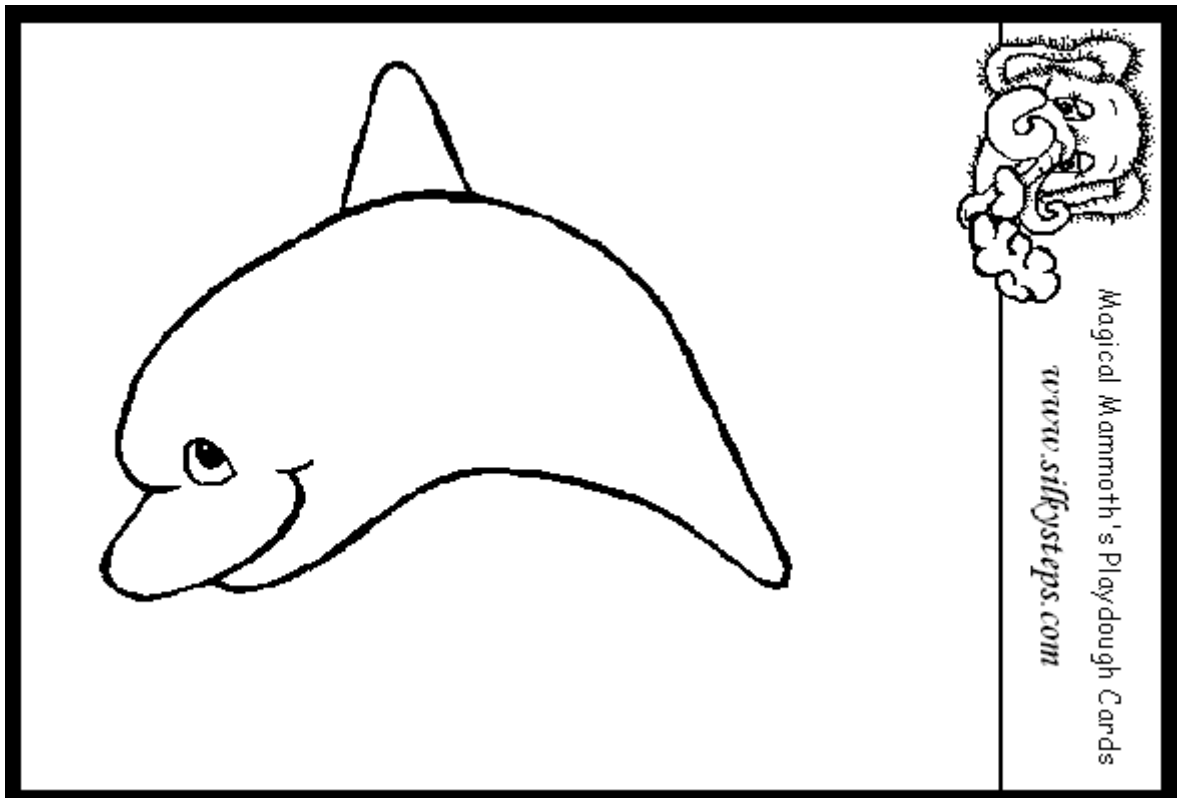
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Crocodile has lost his teeth. They were once big white and shiny, can you make some more for him from dough?

What shape do you think they are? - Triangle  or square 



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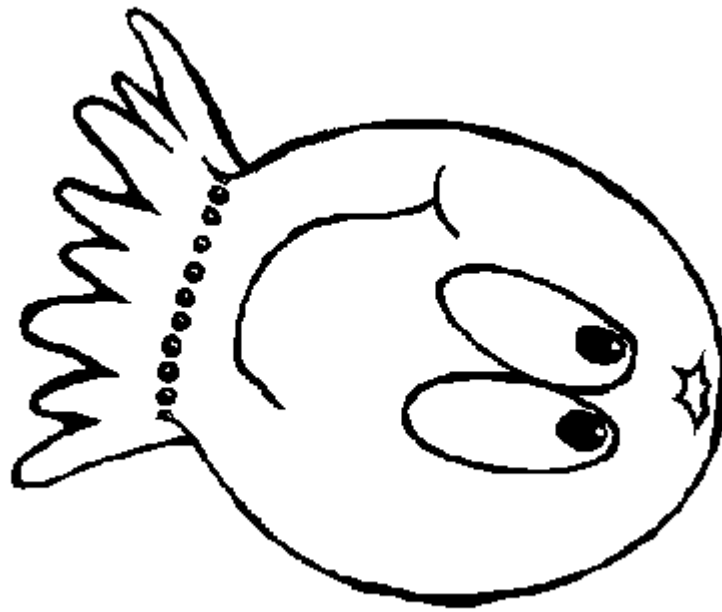
This leaping dolphin needs 2 fins and a big tail to help him swim through the water.

Do you think you can model some from playdough for him?



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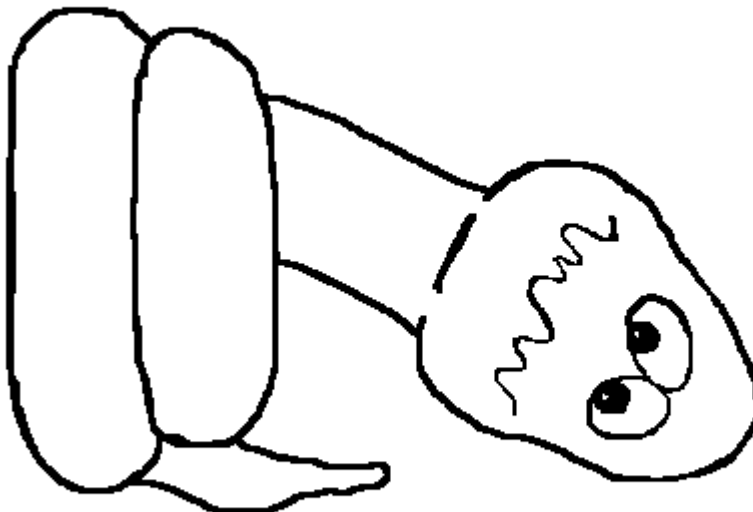


Octopus has 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 long dangly tentacles  
Can you roll some dough to make them?  
Tentacles have suckers on them to stick to things.  
Have you ever seen a sucker before?



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Snake needs a long forked tongue. Can you roll and cut some dough to make him one. Watch out because once you've done that he can say.....

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