

Diwali Diya Lamp Craft Activity

Materials needed:

- Air-drying clay or play dough
- Acrylic paints or markers
- Paintbrushes
- Glitter (optional)
- Tea light candles or battery-operated LED candles

Instructions:

STEP 1

Start by taking a small piece of air-drying clay or play dough and roll it into a smooth ball. This will be the base of your Diya lamp.



STEP 2

Flatten the ball slightly to create a stable base. Make sure it can stand upright without toppling over.



STEP 3

With your fingers, gently press and shape the clay to form a shallow depression in the center of the base. This will be where the candle sits.



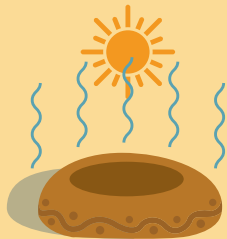
STEP 4

Use your fingertips or the end of a paintbrush to create decorative patterns on the outer surface of the clay. You can make dots, lines, or any other designs that you like. Traditional Indian patterns like paisleys and flowers are great choices too!



STEP 5

Once you are satisfied with the design, set the clay aside to dry. Follow the instructions on the packaging of the clay or play dough to know how long it will take to dry completely.



STEP 6

After the clay has dried, it's time to add some color! Use acrylic paints or markers to paint your Diya lamp. You can choose traditional Diwali colors like bright red, yellow, green, or go with your favorite colors.



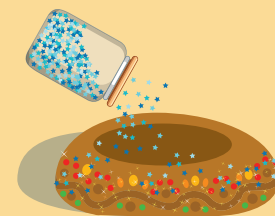
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Let the paint dry completely before moving on to the next step. You can speed up the drying process by using a hairdryer on a low heat setting.



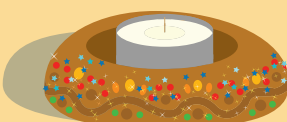
STEP 8

If you want to add some sparkle, you can apply a thin layer of glue on the painted surface and sprinkle glitter over it. Shake off any excess glitter and let it dry.



STEP 9

Once the paint and glitter are dry, your Diya lamp is ready! Place a tea light candle or battery-operated LED candle in the depression you created earlier.



STEP 10

Light up your Diya lamp and enjoy the beautiful glow it creates. Remember to always have adult supervision when handling real candles.



Note: It's important to ensure the use of safe materials and follow any safety guidelines or instructions provided by adults during the crafting process.

Have fun making your Diwali Diya lamp and have a happy Diwali celebration!