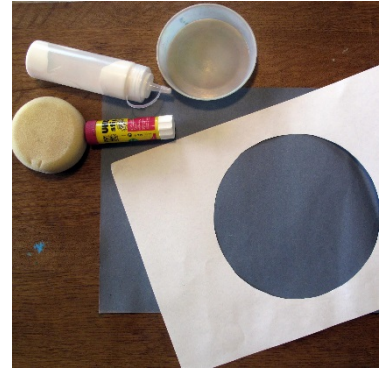


Being Mini Humans - Moon Painting 0-5

This activity to make a moon will allow wee ones to enjoy the contrast of light and dark colours, to explore painting with sponges and their hands and the use of the stencil means whatever they do will magically make a good moon shape at the end. This will work for any age from 0 up, just make sure pencils and scissors stay out of reach of small babies, while bigger children can help you with the drawing and cutting out.

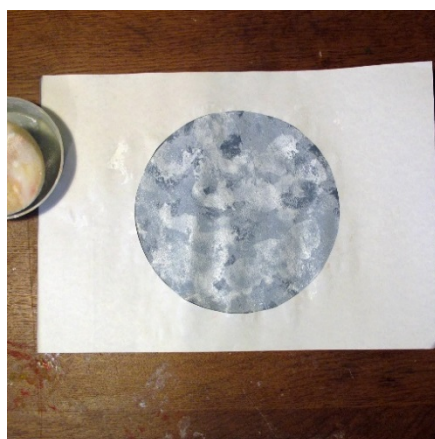
You need:

- A sheet of normal paper to make a stencil and a sheet in a dark colour like black or navy
- White paint
- An old sponge
- A tray or plate



- Draw round a plate on the plain sheet of paper to make a moon stencil. Cut out the centre and then use a couple of dots of glue to hold it in place on top of the dark sheet.

- Put some white paint on a tray or plate and show wee ones how to use a sponge to put paint on the moon shape. If you tear the sponge in half it will get a nice texture that looks like craters. They can also use their hands to spread the paint.



- Once the centre is covered and looks nice and textured, you can gently peel off the paper stencil to reveal a nice moon shape.

- You can help wee ones to finish off the picture by adding dots of white chalk and then smudging it to make stars.

