

curious minds

Ages 1.5
and up



“Painting” with water — a scientific exploration

Explore the wonders of science through this fun activity of painting with water

Learning benefit/skill development

- Enhances hand/eye coordination and spatial awareness
- Develops fine motor skills
- Encourages creativity
- Prompts scientific exploration of the concepts of wet, dry and evaporation
- Encourage your child to “paint” the surface that you have chosen with water.
- Support them to notice how the surface gets darker where they paint. Your child may wish to paint pictures or patterns or they may wish to paint the entire surface. They will have the opportunity to learn about the effects of the sun and evaporation as the water dries and their painting magically disappears! At this point they might want to start painting all over again.

What you’ll need

- A bucket
- A Paintbrush (any size or shape that the child can hold)
- Water
- Blank surface that can be wet (fence, balcony, paved surface, or even a cardboard box)

Instructions

- Place some water in the bucket then provide your child with the bucket and paintbrush.

Please note: This is a great outdoor activity for a warm sunny day. This activity needs to be supervised as there is water involved.