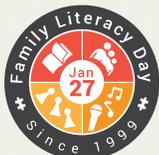


TAKE 20

ACTIVITY BOOK



Take 20 minutes to make learning together part of your everyday.



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- 1 I wonder why?**
Go online as a family and learn something new. Ever wonder why the ocean and sky are blue?
- 2 Read ANYTHING!**
A book, blog, magazine or letter from grandma. Read together and get in your 20 minutes each day.
- 3 Be a Rockstar:**
Sing along with the radio or do Karaoke – maybe a duet?
- 4 Make something yummy:**
Follow a family recipe or create a new one together.
- 5 Travel the world:**
Your library card is your passport to travel the world and to take a learning journey.
- 6 Jot that down:**
Write an e-mail, letter, blog post or text your family and friends. Which is the most fun?
- 7 Scientist in the House:**
Do a kitchen experiment or mix up a batch of playdough.
- 8 It goes something like this:**
Tell your favourite story and give it a new ending, or take turns making up a new story.
- 9 Crafty Crafter:**
Paper, glue, yarn, paint – so many things to create! Do a craft together.
- 10 Stepper challenge:**
Go for a walk and count your steps. How many steps to school, the park, your friend's house?
- 11 Deal me in:**
Play cards and keeping score is a fun way to practice counting.

- 12 Tell it to me:**
Tell someone about your day at dinnertime or pick-up the phone for a chat. What was the best part?
- 13 Shopper Time:**
Make a grocery list together with kids finding what's on the list and checking off the items (and maybe adding one special treat!)
- 14 I'm on Staycation:**
A vacation at home can be lots of fun. Plan a trip in your neighbourhood.
- 15 Riddle me This:**
Tell jokes and riddles while doing chores around the house – can you stump your parents?
- 16 Know your hood:**
Draw a map of your neighbourhood, adding in important places like school, library, doctor and pet store!
- 17 Game-ON!**
Play a board game and plan a family game night – invite your neighbours.
- 18 Story Dynamo:**
Make-up a story and draw a picture to go with it. First, show the picture to your friend and see if they can tell you what your story is about.
- 19 Building Buddies:**
Build something together with modeling clay or building blocks. Check out what Family Literacy Day Honourary Chair Barbara Reid can do with modeling clay!
- 20 Did you Know?**
Teach someone you know something new. Did you learn why the ocean and sky are blue yet?



My Family Literacy Day Story

Write a funny story with friends and family. Ask them to give you the word for each blank. Make sure you don't read the story until they've filled in each blank!

Family Literacy Day is super _____ ! Every year we get
 _____ adjective
 to spend a whole day doing fun learning activities. We like to keep
 learning together all year long in our family. Sometimes I read
 books and sometimes _____ . Reading is
 _____ plural noun
 fun because it helps me learn about cool things like
 _____ and _____ . My favourite book
 _____ plural noun _____ plural noun
 is _____ because it is _____ .
 _____ title _____ adjective
 Family Literacy Day isn't just about reading, though. You can do
 other activities to learn with your family like following a recipe,
 singing songs and playing games. I like word games, and
 _____ is fun to play too. Even karaoke and
 _____ board game
 surfing websites help you learn. My favourite karaoke song to sing
 is _____ and I like to surf the Internet to
 _____ song
 find out about _____ . My favourite part
 _____ hobby
 about Family Literacy Day is that I get to _____
 _____ verb
 with my family and do fun learning activities. We love to celebrate
 learning everyday! Doing activities together for at least 20 minutes
 a day will help me become _____ smart!
 _____ adjective

Definitions

Adjective:

A word that describes a noun. Exciting, funny and super are examples of adjectives.

Noun:

A word that is a person, place or thing. Comics, monkeys, mom and North Pole are examples of proper nouns.

Verb:

An action word that is the main part of a sentence. Play, dance and jump are examples of verbs.



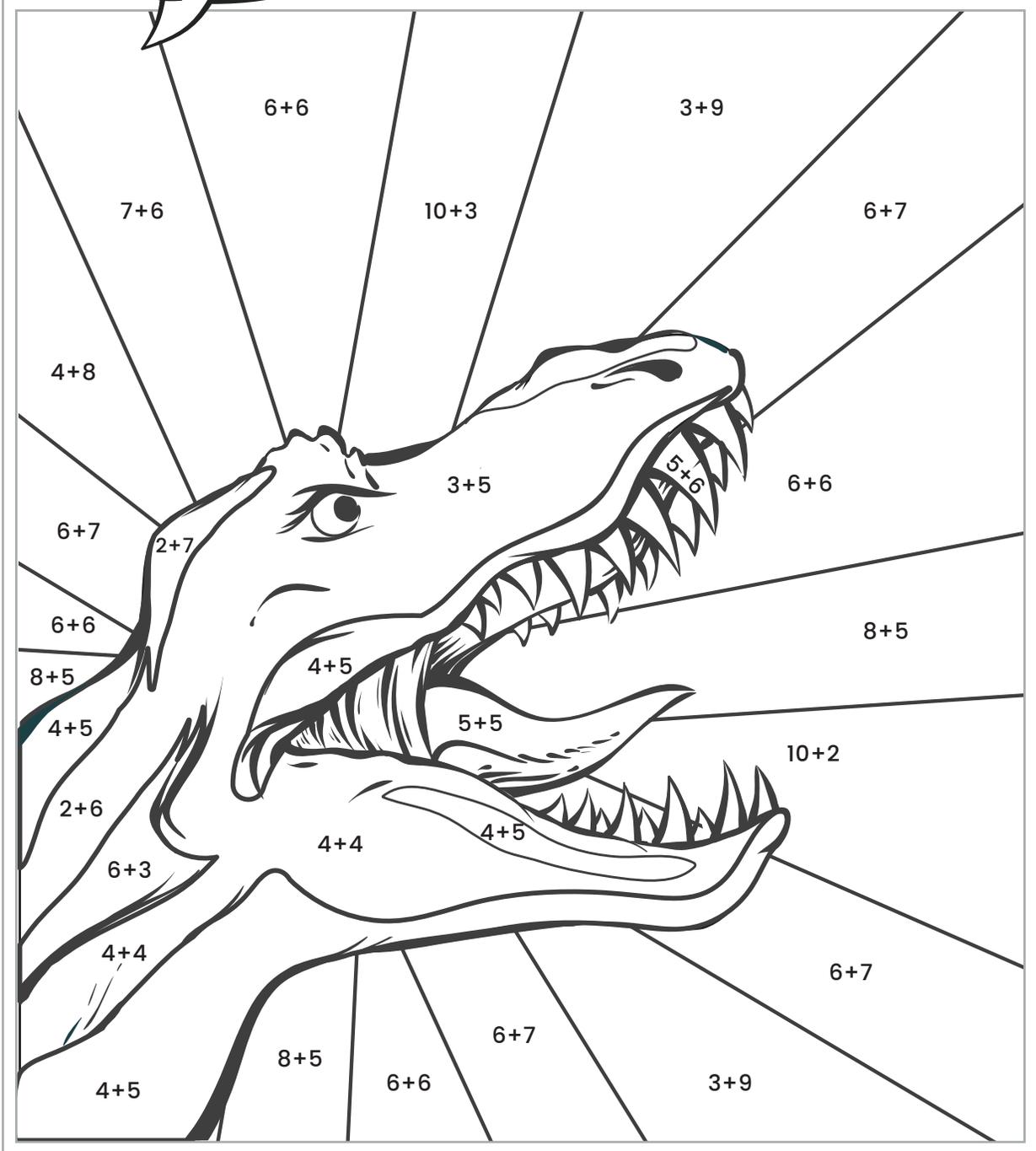
Color Math

Have fun colouring and practicing your math at the same time!



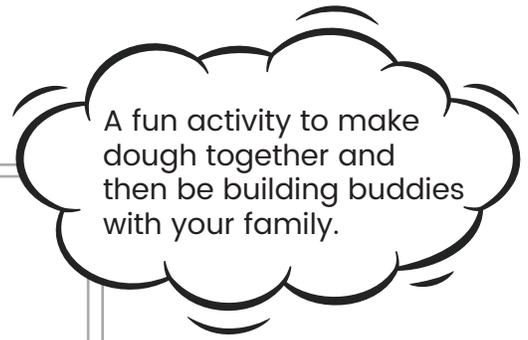
- 8 = green
- 9 = brown
- 10 = red
- 11 = yellow
- 12 = pink
- 13 = purple
- 14 = blue

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Make Dough for Play!



A fun activity to make dough together and then be building buddies with your family.

Ingredients

- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups of flour
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of salt
- 1 package of dry unsweetened juice crystals
- 1 cup of boiling water, cooled down so you can touch it
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoons of vegetable oil

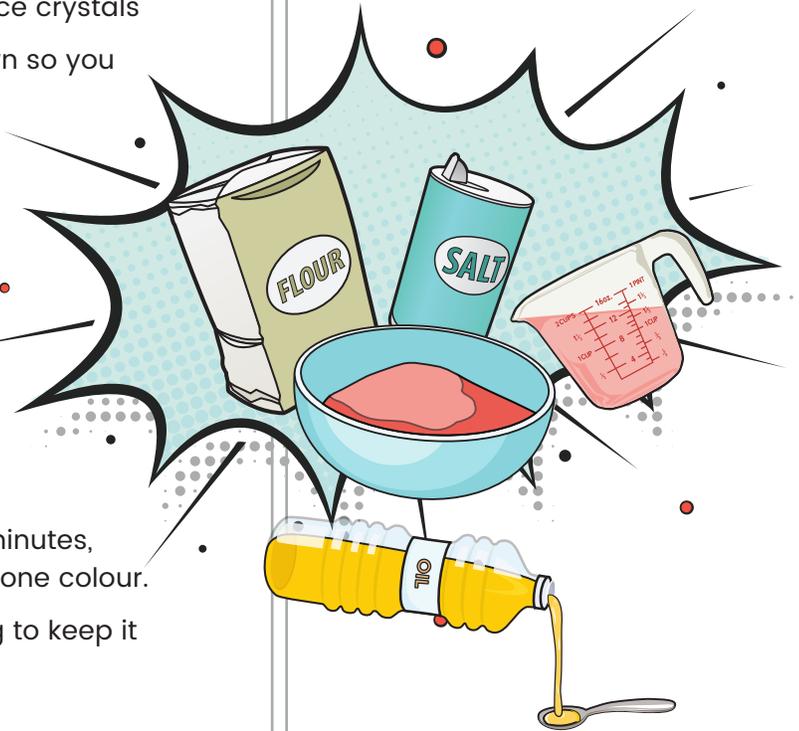
Directions

1. Get a large bowl.
2. Mix the flour, salt and dry juice crystals in the bowl.
3. Add the water and vegetable oil to the large bowl and stir.
4. Mix with your hands for about 5 minutes, until smooth and the dough is all one colour.
5. Put the playdough in a zipper bag to keep it soft for up to 2 months.

Tip



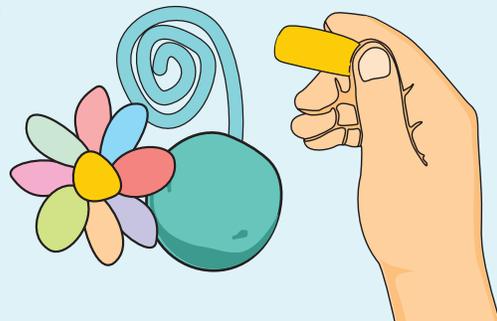
Use food colouring instead of juice crystals to make different colours of playdough.



Now that you've made your playdough, it's time to be creative!

- Make each of the letters of your name and spell your name. Take a picture and put it on the refrigerator.
- Make a set of dice to use when you play a board game.
- Make a squiggly snake or pretty flower.

The possibilities are endless!





Family Literacy Day Word Search

F	A	M	I	L	Y	Y	S	J	P
U	Y	A	A	Q	S	W	P	I	U
N	R	G	T	T	U	P	E	D	Z
Q	T	A	C	H	H	W	L	R	Z
W	E	Z	V	N	R	E	L	O	L
S	O	I	B	I	E	B	I	W	E
U	P	N	T	K	A	O	N	S	X
R	A	E	R	J	D	O	G	S	R
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BOOKS
COMPUTER
CROSSWORD
DAY
FAMILY
FICTION
FUN

GAME
LITERACY
MAGAZINE
MATH
POETRY
PUZZLE
READS

RECIPE
SING
SPELLING
STORY
SURF
WRITE



Family Literacy Crossword

The crossword puzzle grid is set on a light yellow background with a pattern of small white dots. The grid consists of white squares for letters and empty spaces. The following icons are placed around the grid to provide clues:

- A blue water bottle at the top center.
- A wooden bookshelf with books on the top right.
- A yellow school bus on the left side.
- A green book on the right side.
- A paint palette with a brush in the center.
- Musical notes on the center.
- A silhouette of a family walking on the left side.
- A map of a coastline on the right side.
- A red deck of cards, a blue puzzle piece, and a playing card (Jack of Diamonds) at the bottom.

Fill in the crossword with the picture clues.

Book
Family
Sing

School
Map
Game

Library
Cook
Paint

Ingredients

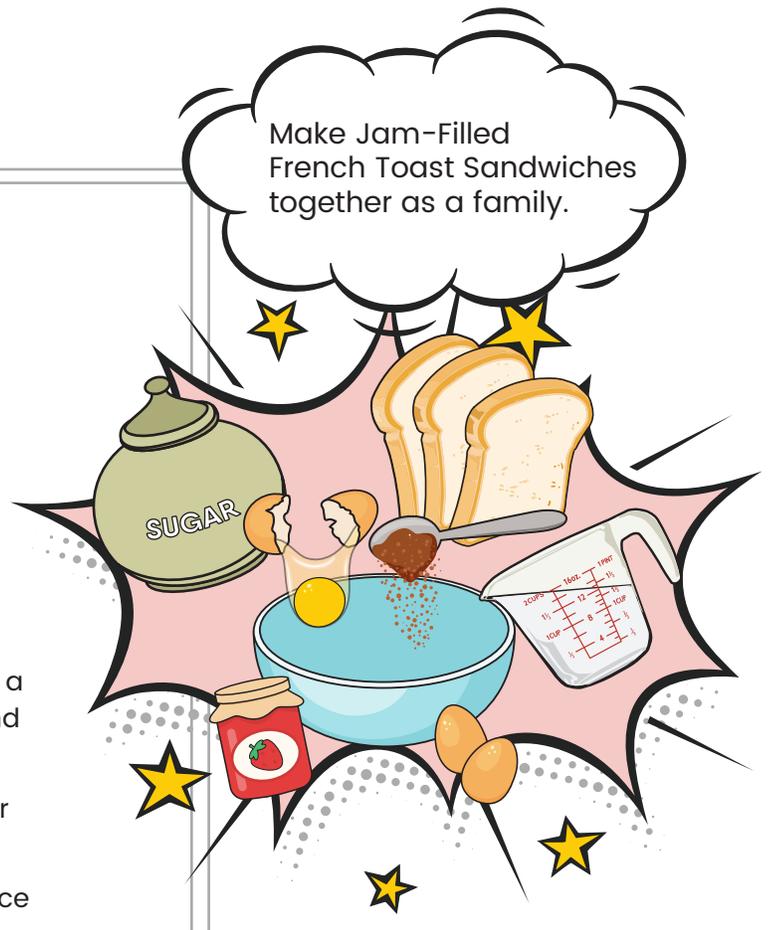
- 1 cup of milk
- 4 eggs
- 4 teaspoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 8 slices of bread
- 8 tablespoons fruit jam

Directions

1. Get a large bowl (big enough to fit a slice of bread) and mix the milk and eggs in the bowl.
2. Get a small bowl and mix the sugar and cinnamon in the bowl.
3. Spread jam on one side of each slice of bread.
4. Put two pieces of bread together to make a jam sandwich.
5. Dip the jam sandwich into the large bowl, turning it over to cover the sandwich on both sides with the milk and eggs mix.

Work with an adult for these next steps:

6. Lightly grease a frying pan and warm it on the stove top.
7. Put the jam sandwich in the frying pan.
8. Cook for two minutes on one side and flip to cook other side until golden brown on both sides.
9. Sprinkle the sugar and cinnamon on top of each sandwich.
10. Serve warm.



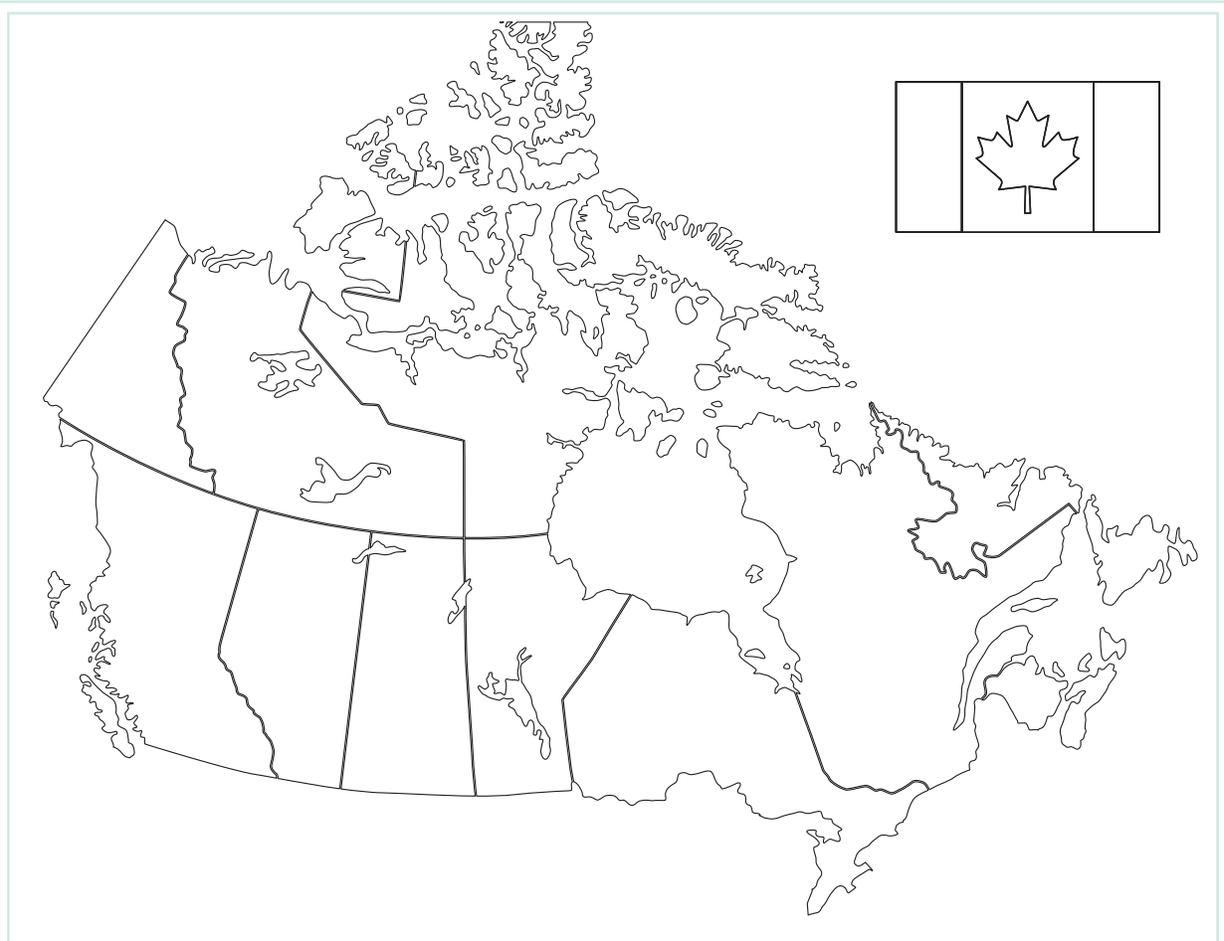
Tip

Use maple syrup, honey, peanut butter or fruit slices instead of jam!





Have fun with colours!



Directions

1. Colour the provinces that begin with the letters "A", "B" and "O" in **red**.
2. Outline the bodies of water in **blue**. How many of them can you name?
3. Shade in the Atlantic provinces in **green**. Can you count how many there are?
4. Colour the Territories in **yellow**. Can you name them from West to East?
5. Draw happy faces in the province that has the most French speaking people.
6. This province is almost in the middle of Canada. The Province to the west of it is the only province without natural borders. Colour these in **brown**.

1. Alberta, British Columbia and Ontario
2. Some include: Pacific Ocean, Atlantic Ocean, Arctic Ocean, James Bay, Hudson Bay, the Great Lakes
3. Four Atlantic Provinces: New Brunswick, Newfoundland Labrador, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
4. Yukon, Northwest, Nunavut
5. Quebec
6. Manitoba, Saskatchewan

Answers



Play a Game: Snap!

Number of players: 2+

Cards: Standard deck of 52 cards.

Two decks can be used for more than three players.

How to play:

1. Choose a card dealer to deal all the cards face down to players. Some players may have more cards than others, but this is okay. Players do not look at their cards but keep them face down in individual stacks.
2. The player to the left of the dealer starts the game by turning their top card face up next to their card pile. The next player does the same until a player notices a match (**Note: If a player runs out of face down cards, they can shuffle the face up pile and use them.**)
3. The first player to notice that two cards in the face up piles are the same (such as two jacks or two sixes) shouts “snap!” and receives all cards in both of the matched piles, adding the cards to the bottom of their face down pile. The game continues with the next player turning a card over.
4. If two players shout “snap!” at the same time, they form a “snap pool” of their pile of cards with the two matched piles of cards placed together in the centre.
5. Play continues until someone turns up a card that matches the top card in the snap pool. Whoever shouts “snap pool!” first takes the whole pool and adds it to the bottom of their face down pile.
6. If a player mistakenly shouts “snap!” they have two options: a) give every player one card from their face down pile, or b) their entire face down pile becomes a new snap pool. If a player has no more face up or face down cards they are out of the game.



7. The winner of the game is the player with all of the cards.



Many of our favourite stories have a little magic in them. Have you ever wanted to mix up your own magic potion? As a family, try this experiment at home. It can get messy so be prepared!

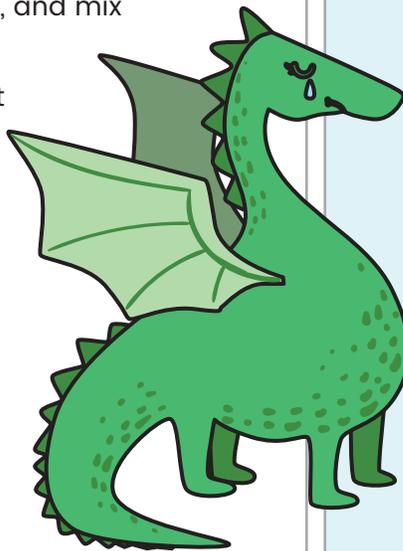
Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons of ground-up hair of toad (baking powder)
- 1 teaspoon of broom cleaning solution (dish soap)
- a few drops of tears of a dragon (food colouring)
- ¼ cup of sweat from an ogre (vinegar)



Directions

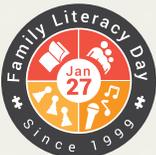
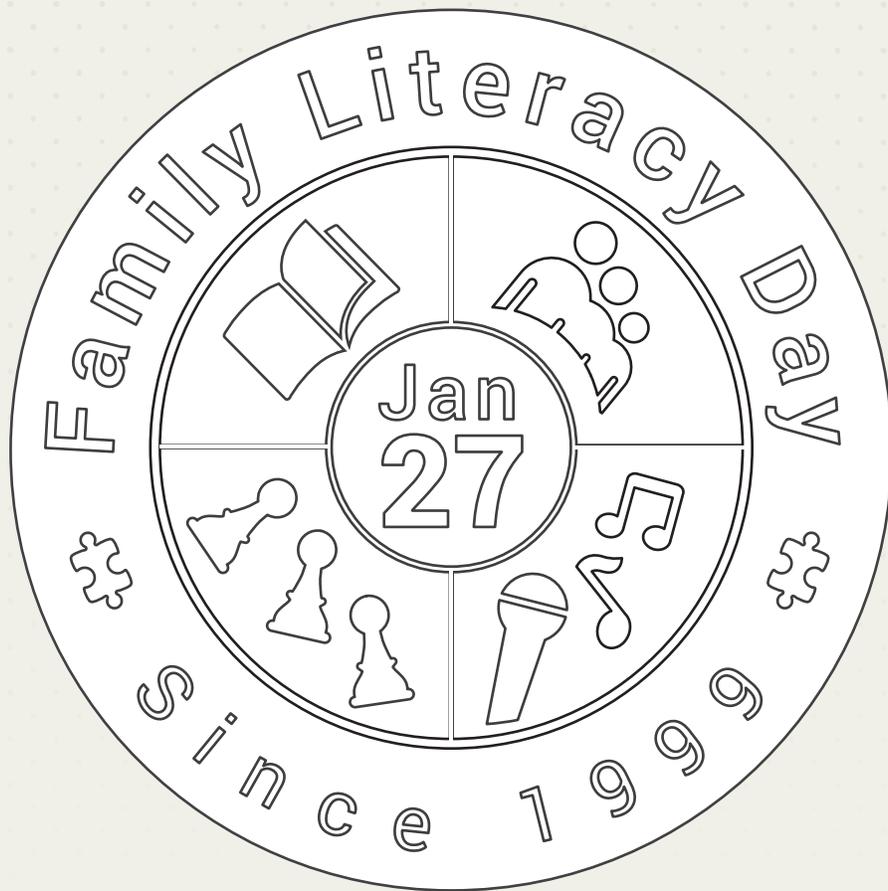
1. In a tall container, mix together the hair of toad and broom cleaning solution.
2. Add in the tears of dragon, and mix all together.
3. When you are ready to get your potion brewing, say the magic words and add the sweat from an ogre as swiftly as possible.



Tip

Try different amounts of each ingredient and see what happens. You never know the magic power you have until you try.

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