

Make Your Own Paint



You Will Need:

- Egg or milk
- Acrylic base
- PVA glue
- Plastic pot
- Paint brush
- Pigments (ground in a pestle and mortar)

Ancient Paints

1. Add a teaspoon of your chosen pigment to a plastic cup.
2. Add a few drops of water and mix with a brush until you have a smooth paste.
3. Separate the egg yolk from the white – dispose of the white.
4. Mix equal parts of yolk and pigment paste using a paint brush.
5. Paint the mural with your egg tempura paint.
6. Alternatively use milk to make your paint.

- **Cave men had limited tools and knowledge about pigments so what did they use?**
- **Natural pigments were used by grinding lumps of earth, chalk and charcoal.**
- **Saliva, ear wax and animal fat would have been used as binders to make the paint stick to the rock surface.**
- **Oil from plants would have been used as the solvent to make the paint runnier.**
- **Chewed ends of twigs or fingers would have been used instead of paintbrushes.**

Modern Paints

1. Add 1 teaspoon of your chosen pigment to a plastic cup.
2. Add 2 teaspoons of acrylic base or PVA glue to your plastic cup.
3. Water down the mixture to make paint.
4. Use your paint on the mural.

Futuristic Paints

1. The futuristic paints have all been pre prepared. Pick which paint you would like to use.
2. Use your chosen paint on the mural.

Create Your Own Picture

A wide selection of art materials use pigments. You can use any of the paints provided to create your own picture. Why not use the 3D paints to make a multi dimensional picture.

You can also use the pens and pencils provided to create pictures. The metallic pencils work best on black card.

If you fancy getting messy, why not use the finger paints!