

## **Follow these steps**

- Step 1 In a saucepan, completely dissolve half a cup of salt in a cup of warm water (completely dissolving first ensures a good texture). Then add the dye.
- Step 2 Add 3 tbsp of cream of tartar, 1 tbsp of vegetable oil, and 1 cup of plain flour. Stir thoroughly.

## The Science behind it

- Step 3 Cook the mixture on low heat, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon until a ball forms. Flatten the ball out on a lightly floured surface to cool (for a few minutes).
- Step 4 Knead in a little more flour until the dough stops feeling sticky and you're done! Playdough away!

Playdough contains **salt dissolved in water**, which **conducts electricity** fairly well. This means it allows the flow of **electrical charge**. Store-bought playdough is also conducting. You can now use this playdough to complete a simple circuit and turn on a light!

FUN FACT Playdough was first sold as wallpaper cleaner! Before being a craft toy, parents were using it to remove soot and dirt from their walls by rolling the wad of goop across the surface!