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# In this activity, you will:

learn about volcanos and will get to build your own. Watch out for the eruptions!



### **Supplies Required:**

Paint brush and paint, or markers to decorate the paper

1 empty small water bottle

1 sheet of paper

Scissor

Pencil

Small bowl

Cup

2 tablespoons water

1 tablespoon of red food coloring

1/2 cup of vinegar

1 tablespoon of baking soda

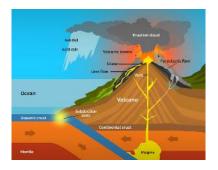
1 tablespoon of dish liquid

### **Video**

Watch the video to help you make your volcano: https://tinyurl.com/tg5axjf

### **Overview**

The eruption of a volcano is one of the most powerful forces on our planet. Volcanoes erupt when molten rock called magma rises to the surface. Magma is formed when the earth's crust, or mantle, melts. Melting may happen where tectonic plates are pulling apart or where one plate is pushed down under another. If the magma is thick, gas bubbles cannot easily escape and pressure builds up as the magma rises. Once the pressure becomes too great, the molton rock pushes up through earth's crust and erupts!



#### Instructions

- 1. Make sure you are working with an adult!
- 2. Stand back and make sure your face is not close to the eruption!
- 3. Place your bottle upside down in the center of the sheet of paper and trace to circle at the opening of the bottle.
- 4. Cut a straight line through the paper to the middle of the circle and cut it out.
- Overlap the two sides of the papaer to make a cone shape. Tape this into place, leaving a hole where you cut out the circle.
- 6. Cut around the base of the cone so that it sits flat but make sure it a bit taller
- Decorate the cone with the paint or markers and let it dry fully.
- In a bowl combine the baking soda and the dish liquid, then add the water and mix well.
- Pour the mixture into the volcano (the water bottle).
- 10 In a cup, mix the vinegar and the food coloring.
- 11 You're ready to make your volcano--get your camera ready get a clip of this step! Pour the vinegar into the bottle with the baking soda and watch the lava flow!

## **Additional Resources**

Think About It! What made the volcano erupt? What happens to the eruption if you change the amounts of baking soda and vingear? Research volcanic eruptions around the world!

- 1. Track live and active volcanos around the world here: https://tinyurl.com/j3gyjev
- 2. Learn more facts about volcanos here: https://tinyurl.com/yyvxgoal
- 3. Take a guiz and test your knowledge: https://tinyurl.com/ycvysrlf

#### Share It Out

Share your volcano erupting with your family and friend via social media! We want to see what's happening!

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