

Crayon Melts

Age: 3 years and up



What's needed

Crayons
Pencil or crayon sharpener
Dark construction paper
Hair dryer (optional)

What to do

1. Use pencil or crayon sharpeners to create crayon shavings. On a sunny day, ask children to place the shavings on a piece of dark construction paper (dark paper gets warmer in the sun than light paper). Place the paper in the sun for a while.
2. Check the shavings in about ten minute intervals to see how the shavings are melting from the heat of the sun.
3. Older children can make patterns or pictures with the shavings and see how it turns out after the shavings have melted.

Variation: The teacher can use a hair dryer to slowly melt the crayon shavings.

What children will learn

Small motor skills, science skills, creative expression

