

Ann's Creative Corner

Project #580: Hammer Fun!

- Gather various textures such as playdough, clay, silly putty, cornstarch mixed with water, gelatin and even mud!
- Place these various textured items in some shallow plastic recycle dishes.
- With your hammer (plastic, wooden or metal depending on the capabilities and safety needed) try pushing on the texture first with a gentle push.
- Increase the pressure to see what happens.
- Apply several repeated motions to your mixture.
- Try this with various textures to see the difference and similarities.
- Try Mixing your textured items together to see how they stick or blend and then try your plastic, wooden or metal hammer.
- Try other tools to poke the mixtures.

Song chant: Johnny pounds with one hammer

Johnny pounds with 1 hammer, 1 hammer, 1 hammer (one hand)

Then he pounds with two (two hands)

Johnny pounds with 2 hammers, 2 hammers, 2 hammers

Then he pounds with three (2 hands and a foot)

Johnny pounds with three hammers, three hammers, three hammers,

Then he pounds with 4! (2 hands, 2 feet)

Then he pounds with 5 (2 hands, 2 feet, one head)

And then he goes to sleep.

Use various names of the children or adults.

You may also like to use toy hammers for this.

