

How to make Ms. Sam's Cookie Crayons

In the art room, we use cookie crayons. These are crayons I have melted down to create big multicolored crayons. They are great for filling in big areas and for doing texture rubbing. For years kids, teachers, and parents have asked me how they can make them to. So here are some recipes.

If crayons are soaked in warm water, the paper wrappers are much easier to take off.

Crayons melt at a very low temperature, so watch carefully!

Take broken crayon bits in various colors and put them in a muffin tin. Don't fill all the way (think peanut butter cup thickness) Melt them in the oven just until they've run together. After it cools pop it out and you have a multicolored crayon cookie that kids will love.

I've also had luck with melting bits in the microwave in ice cube trays. Melt at 30 sec intervals at 50% Do Not Over Heat, the wax and pigment will separate and the plastic mold might melt

For many more crayon recycling ideas go to
<http://www.thriftyfun.com/tf666289.tip.html>

Happy Melting!

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