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## Mini Pumpkin Volcanoes

Want a fun and educational fall inspired project to do with the kids? These mini pumpkin volcanoes are guaranteed to impress. If your kids are older, they will understand the chemical reaction taking place in this fall science experiment, but this could also be a great fall preschool project as well. What kid wouldn't love to see mini pumpkins erupt?

## **Materials**

- o Dish soap
- o Baking soda
- o White vinegar
- o Food coloring: Orange, purple, green
- o Mini pumpkins
- o Knife
- o Tablespoon
- o Large plastic lid or container



## Instructions

- 1. Carve out the top of each pumpkin.
- 2. Scoop out most of the insides (this doesn't need to be perfect).
- 3. Bring pumpkins outside and set them on a lid or in a container.
- 4. Add a couple tablespoons of baking soda to each pumpkin.
- 5. Add a couple squirts of dish soap to each pumpkin.
- 6. Add one squirt of each color of food coloring to each pumpkin.
- 7. Start pouring vinegar into each pumpkin; you'll likely need about 1/3 cup for each.