3 Ingredient DIY Puffy Paint

I have been on the hunt for easy DIY projects for you and your child to make.

Since painting is a huge activity that the kids love to do at school, I wanted to find a fun paint recipe that used **common ingredients** everyone has at home and was easy enough for kiddos to mix up all by themselves.

This recipe only requires 3 simple ingredients, it was easy enough for a child to mix up and as a bonus – it *didn't require the use of a microwave*.

Ingredients for DIY Puffy Paint:

1. 3+ cups of foam shaving cream
2. 1 cup of all purpose flour
3. 1 cup of school glue

* You'll also need ziplock-style sandwich bags, small mixing bowls, food coloring or paint and paper — heavier paper works best such as poster board, heavy construction paper or paper plates. My kiddo loves painting on paper plates!
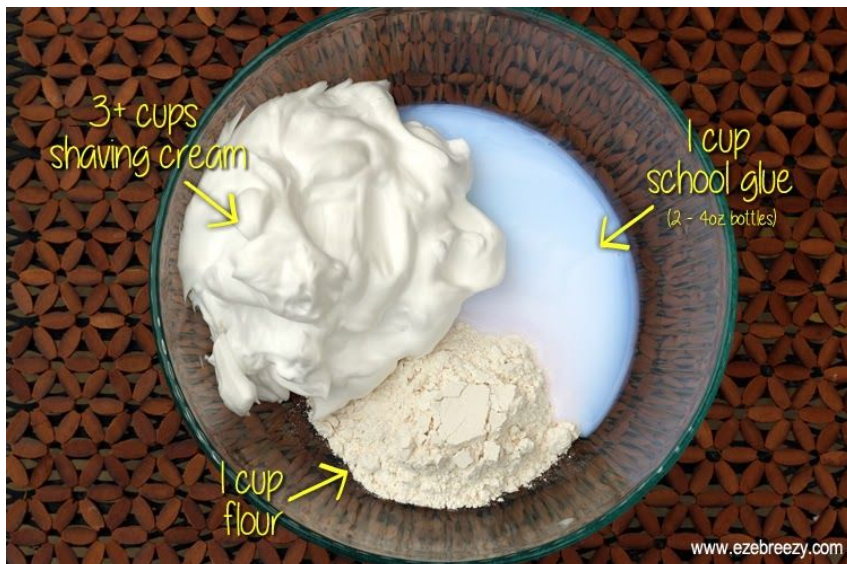
DIRECTIONS

1. **Measure out the first 3 ingredients** into a large mixing bowl.

2. **Mix the shaving cream, glue and flour** with a rubber spatula or spoon. Be careful to not over mix – you want to see bubbles in the mixture.

3. Divide the DIY puffy paint mixture into separate smaller bowls to add your food coloring or paint. Start with a small squirt of coloring and mix thoroughly. Don't forget to keep some white puffy paint on hand!

4. Spoon the puffy paint into the sandwich bags. To make filling the bags easier stick your bag into a cup and turn the sides down over the lip of the glass. I use this all the time when filling pastry or icing bags and it worked perfectly for this paint project. Next, seal each bag (great tip here – add some duck tape to reinforce the seal just in case you have a vigorous squeezer on you hands!) and cut a tiny hole in the corner. I didn't have any duck tape on hand so I just used some regular scotch tape and it held up just fine.

Filling Tip:

Place your bag inside a glass and turn the top over the lip of the glass. It's the perfect way to get an extra set of hands to help out!

5. Now it's time to have some fun! **Squeeze the puffy paint through the small hole** and paint away! Draw pictures. Makes dot and lines. Just use your imagination.

6. Let your designs dry overnight. The paint actually puffed up even more after sitting overnight which we loved.

We used food coloring this time around only because I had a wider variety of color options on hand. You can also use Tempura Paint which also works out great and a little went a long way.

The paint was very easy to work with and after the designs dried overnight, the paint actually became even puffier!

This DIY puffy paint recipe is definitely a keeper and I know you and your little ones will enjoy it as much as we did!