

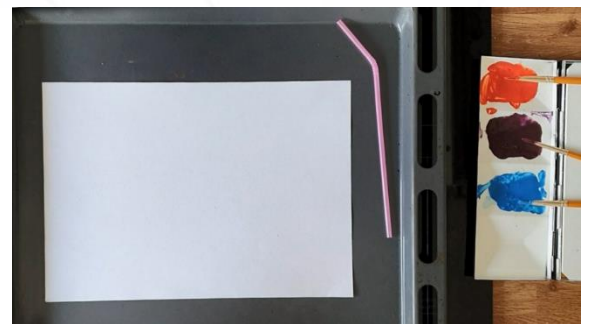


Blow painting brain cells

This is a simple but really fun art activity to make pictures of brain cells. Just using runny paint and straws, you can blow paint to make beautiful colourful pictures.

You will need:

- **Paper** (heavier paper is best, but any will do)
- **Tray**
- **Liquid water-based paint** (you can use watercolours, watered down poster paint, or watered down food colouring).
- **Paint brush or dropper**
- **Drinking straws**



Instructions

To set up the activity:

- Place a sheet of paper on a tray with sides.
- If doing the activity with young children, cut straws in half to make blowing action more effective.
- Make up liquid paints in small dishes or cups and check if they are runny enough to be blown. We used three different colours.

To make the picture:

1. Add paint drops to the paper, using either a dropper or a well-loaded paint brush.
2. Blow at the blob of paint using the straw. Rotate the paper to get the paint moving in different directions.
3. Repeat with more paint until you are satisfied with your design.
4. Once the paint dries, you can add labels to show some of the different types of brain cells.



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