

How to Make an Ice Dragon Egg

Equipment:

- freezer
- balloons
- small plastic toy dragon(s)
- water
- food colouring
- measuring jug



Instructions:

1. Stretch the mouth of the balloon open and insert the dragon toy inside.
2. In a jug, mix a few drops of food colouring with water.
3. Carefully, pour the coloured water into the balloon until it is three-quarters full.
4. Tie the end of the balloon securely.
5. Put the balloon into the freezer for a few days until the water is frozen solid.
6. Once frozen, cut the balloon away from the ice and discard.
7. Put the dragon eggs outside and watch them melt to reveal the dragons within.

How to Make a Dragon Egg

Equipment:

- balloons
- newspaper
- white glue
- water
- medium bowl
- paintbrush
- scissors
- paint
- dragon character (paper or plastic toy)



Instructions:

1. Papier-mache can be messy - protect your work surface with craft paper or a wipe-clean tablecloth. Wear an apron or old shirt and tie long hair back.
2. Make the papier-mache glue by mixing water and white glue together in a bowl until it is the consistency of runny yoghurt.
3. Tear the newspaper into strips roughly 10cm x 5cm.
4. Blow up the balloon to the size you would like your egg(s) to be and tie the end.
5. Dip strips of paper into the watery glue mixture, remove any excess and place onto the balloon. Continue until you have covered the entire balloon, overlapping each piece of paper. Cover the balloon again so that it is covered in two layers of paper.
6. Leave to dry.
7. Repeat step 4 until the balloon has been covered at least four times.
8. Allow to dry thoroughly,
9. With scissors, cut the end of the balloon knot so it deflates. Remove it from the middle of the papier-mache egg.
10. Carefully, cut a zigzag pattern around the model to create the two halves of the dragon egg.
11. Decorate the dragon egg with paint.
12. Print and cut out a paper dragon to place inside the egg. Alternatively, place a small toy dragon inside the dragon egg.