

# SALAD SPINNER ART

This is a really easy and effective piece of art to do with any age group. If you have an old salad spinner that you don't intend to use for its intended purpose again, then it can be used to make a great piece of art. My 6th class really enjoyed doing this. This lesson can really only be done with individuals/small group.

1. Pour 3/4 blobs of different colour paint on a paper plate, making sure the paper plate fits easily inside the salad spinner. (If you don't have any paper plates, just cut out circles of card that fit in the salad spinner.)
2. Carefully place the paper plate inside the salad spinner.
3. Put the lid in place, making sure that it is tightly fastened.
4. Twist the handle of the spinner to allow the plate inside to spin. The paints should splatter all over the plate creating a nice effect. If the paint has not spread sufficiently, add some more paint and spin the spinner more vigorously.
5. The beauty with doing this lesson is that no-one knows what will be revealed when the pupil opens the salad spinner – there can be so many patterns and variations.
6. Remove the plate from the spinner and allow to dry overnight.
7. The plates make a nice display when mounted on the wall together.

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## Variations

1. Use a colour theme eg. Autumn colours, colours of the sea, warm colours etc.
2. Add in glitter to the paint.
3. Add some fine sand to the paint to give texture.
4. Add some feathers or other objects to the paint when wet.

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