

## Marble Painting

**Try painting with wacky tools!** Marbles may not be the first item you think of using to paint a pretty picture, but why not? Dip them in some paint and roll them around to make a colorful creation! Once you're done with your painting, reflect on the process. How is your painting unique because it was made with marbles?



### Materials:

- 3-4 containers filled with different colors of paint
- 1 marble per cup of paint
- Paper
- A box that can fit your piece of paper
- Other objects you want to try painting with (optional)

### Steps:

1. Place your paper in the box- this will be your canvas.
2. Fill your containers with a little bit of paint- enough for a marble to be completely covered in the paint. Put 1 marble in each container of paint.
3. Use a spoon to scoop the marble out of the paint container and place it into the box.
4. Pick up the box and tilt it around so that your marble spreads the paint.
5. Play around with adding more colors and marbles until your masterpiece is complete.

### Caregiver Tip:

Encourage your child to experiment with different techniques and make observations about how these techniques affect their marble art. What happens if they use multiple marbles at once? How do the colors they chose interact with one another? What shapes can they make?

To keep the fun going, try painting with other objects you can find around the house. Is it easier or harder to paint with these objects compared to the marbles? Do these new objects create different looking paintings? If yes, how do they differ?