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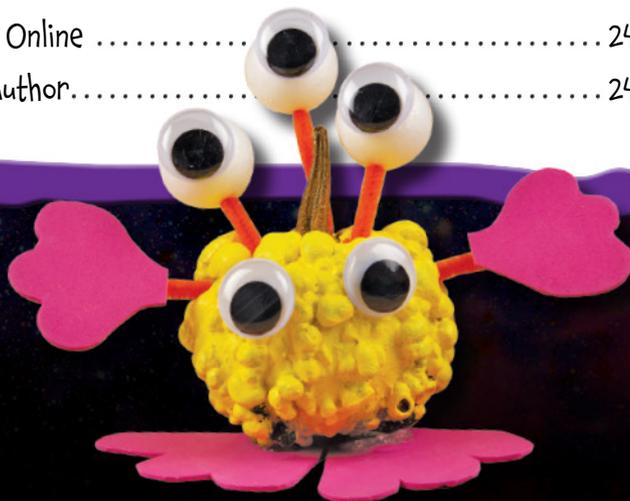
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Let's Make Aliens!

Let's get ready to make some creepy creatures from outer space—aliens! This book shows you how to make the following:



◀ Lumpy, googly-eyed alien **decorations**

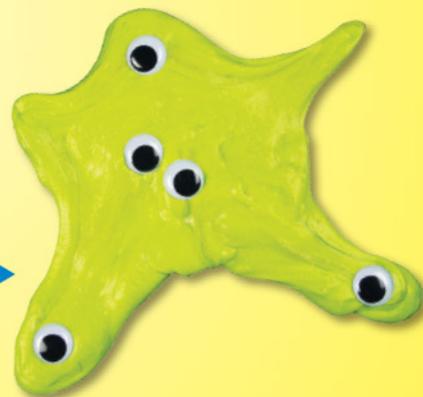


An alien head that you can wear as part of a **costume** ▶



◀ Chocolate-covered alien pretzel **treats**

A green **slime** alien that's fun to make and to play with ▶



Give it a try!

If you've never done something like this before, don't be nervous. Just follow the step-by-step instructions and you'll soon be impressing your friends with the things you can make.

Crafting and cooking are fantastic ways to be **creative!**

But you'll enjoy this time much more if you stay safe and follow our top tips for successful creepy crafting.

Get ready to MAKE!

- Read the instructions carefully before starting. If there's anything you don't understand, ask an adult for help.
- Gather your supplies before you begin.



- Cover your work surface with old newspaper or another protective covering.
- Be careful when using sharp objects.
- When your project is complete, recycle any extra paper, cardboard, or packaging. If you have leftover materials, keep them for a future project.
- Clean up when you've finished working.



Get ready to BAKE!

- Always wash your hands with soap and hot water before you start baking.



- Make sure your work surface and supplies are clean.
- Carefully read the **recipe** before you begin. If there's a step you don't understand, ask an adult for help.
- Gather all your supplies before you start.
- Carefully measure your **ingredients**. Your baking will be more successful if you use exactly the right amount.



Measuring cups

- Ask an adult for help when using the microwave.



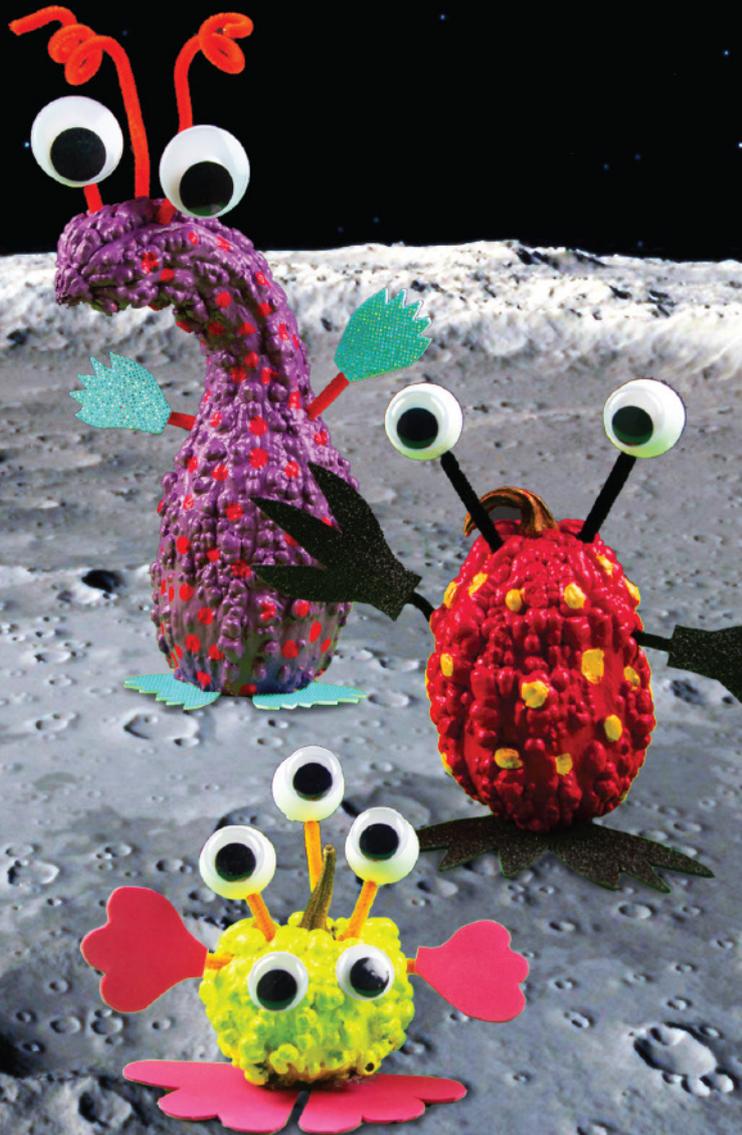
- Clean up and put things away when you've finished baking.

Lumpy, Bumpy Aliens

They are lumpy and bumpy. They are knobby and spotty. They have big googly **eyestalks**. What on Earth are they? Outer-space aliens made from gourds! But with a little creepy crafting, you can turn them into funny **extraterrestrials** to decorate your house for an alien-themed party.

YOU WILL NEED

- Gourds
- Acrylic paints
- Paintbrushes
- A pencil
- Thin foam sheets
- Scissors
- Duct tape
- Pipe cleaners
- A pumpkin carving tool designed to make holes
- Tacky glue
- Googly eyes
- Small foam balls





Choose a gourd to decorate. Try to pick a gourd with a flat bottom so it will stand up. Paint the gourd and allow it to dry. Then, paint on a second coat to completely cover the gourd.



If you want, paint some designs onto your gourd with another color.



To make the gourd alien's hands, draw the shapes you want in pencil onto the foam sheet and cut them out.

Cut a pipe cleaner in half and tape one hand to the end of each half of the pipe cleaner.

