

It's a big DEAL!

# Daily Elementary Art Lesson

## Day 9

## Salt Art Painting

Art & Science Connection: Salt absorbs water moisture because it is an ionic compound with strong attractive forces for the highly polar water molecules. This property means that salt is HYGROSCOPIC, meaning that it absorbs both liquid water and water vapor in the air.

#### You will need:

Heavier Paper (Card Stock or Construction) White Glue Small Cup of Salt Water Color Paints Paintbrush





### Your project:

Draw a picture using the glue. (Do not use too much, or it will take longer to dry.) Pour salt over the glue. If you have a tray, hold the paper up over it to remove excess salt. If you do not have a tray, you may do this over a trash can. Allow the glue to dry. Once the glue has dried, gently add color to the salt using the tip of your paint brush. Watch as the salt absorbs the color! For a fun variation, try on black construction paper or use food coloring.

#### **QUESTIONS TO ASK:**

What would happen if you used sugar instead of salt?

Hang your work somewhere for everyone in your family to enjoy!