

Third Grade

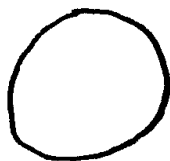
Coil Mug

Materials needed:

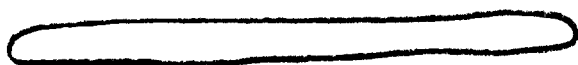
- Box of clay labeled with teacher name (1 pound per project)
- Spray bottle of water and sponges
- 3 Drying boards – (labeled with teacher's name and date)
- Sample projects (carried in padded box)
- 2 Clay Scrap Bags
- Mats
- Water bowls (filled with 1-2 inches of water in classroom)
- White plastic toolbox of cutting tools (for writing names)

Procedure:

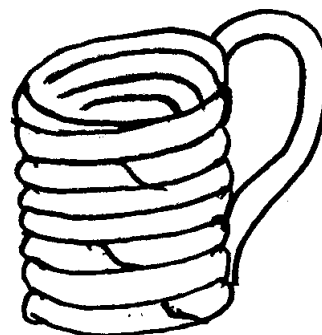
1. Take some clay and roll into a ball about the size of a golf ball. Flatten on desk to a thickness of about 1/2 inch. This will be the bottom of the mug.
2. Write child's first name, last initial and date on the bottom of the project.
3. Take some more clay and roll out on table top with flat open hands into coils, or snakes, about 1/4 to 1/2 inch thick and 8 to 12 inches long.
4. Start laying coils around the outside edge of the base. Taper both ends of each coil so that they blend together smoothly. Remember to score and moisten all areas of contact first to keep the mug from falling apart. Press and work the coils together as they are added. The coils can even be smoothed out with wet fingers if desired. Continue to add coils until the finished size has been achieved.
5. Take a coil about 4 or 5 inches long. Make a handle by scoring and attaching one end to the top of the mug and one end to the bottom of the mug.
6. If children make lids, make sure the lid is labeled with their name and leave lid on top of base to dry. The lid will ultimately fit better if the two pieces dry together.
7. Place projects on drying board and return to Clay Room.
8. Clean up everything that was used and put everything back where it came from. Count tools in white plastic box.



Flattened ball for bottom of mug.



Roll clay into long "snakes" to build up coils.



Attach last coil to form the handle.