

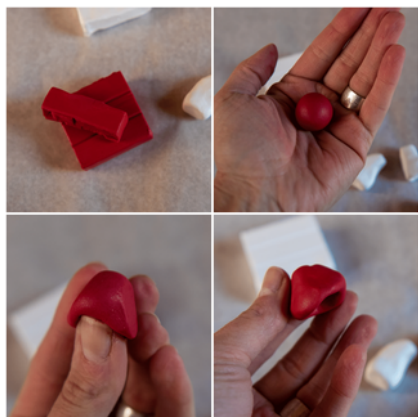
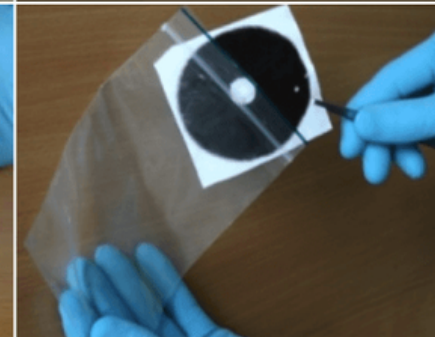
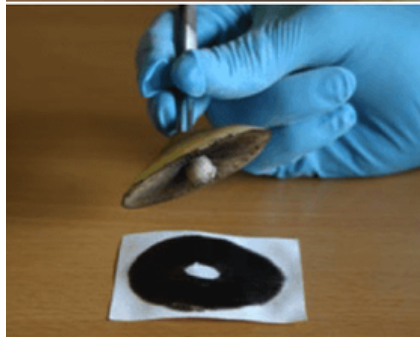
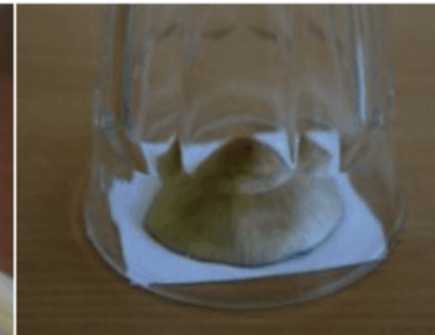
MUSHROOM ART

How can we use mushrooms for expression?



HOW TO MAKE SPORE STAMPS

- The spores lie on the gill surface.
- Cut off the stem and place the cap, with the gills facing down, on a piece of a white piece of paper, an index card or a glass microscope slide.
- Put a drop of water on the top of the cap to help release the spores.
- Cover the cap with a paper cup or glass and leave for **2-24 hours**.
- The spores will fall on the paper, or glass, making a spore print pattern



CLAY GARDEN MUSHROOMS

- Roll and form your clay into a ball
- Press thumb in to make a cap
- Carve in the gills
- Dry
- Paint cap
- Glue cap on- hot glue
- Gift to someone or as a thank you for a class guest

WRITING PROVOCATION- THE DAY IN THE LIFE OF....

- After diving into your mushroom inquiry, take students outdoors to find a mushroom/fungi and have some time to think with the mushroom.
- With clip boards and paper/journal they can use this time to write ideas down for the day in the life of a mushroom.
- What is the setting? How do they feel? How are they communicating? How is the weather affecting them? What stage of the life cycle are they in? Who visits them?

