

Face Painting: How to Do It



Express Yourself with Face Paint Practice Party for Teens

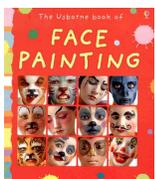
1. Read the "Basic Techniques" and "What do I need" pages listed at <http://www.snazaroo.com/beginners-guide/basic-techniques/>. Also, go through some of your face-paint books for ideas. You don't have to be an artist to host a Face-painting Party for teens.
2. Color copy a few really simple designs and pass them out or put in plastic sleeve protectors for teens to share.
3. Have teens practice on their arms and legs or on each other.
4. Invite them to look through the books for designs they like.
5. Pick one, practice.
6. Have wet wipes or hold your party in a room with a sink or teens will be running to the bathroom to wash off designs they don't like. A mirror comes in handy when they start practicing on each others faces.
7. Take pictures of designs and write down the names of the teens that did a good job so that later you can contact them individually to invite them to do face-painting at your family events.

Selected Booklist

There are facepainting books in your library system. Search for "face painting", "face-painting" or "facepainting" and see what you have available.



Decorate Yourself - Tom Andrich. Sterling Publishing Co., 2003. The author has a nice forward and gives some simple but clear guidelines for equipment, set up, paints, how to, safety tips, and more.



The Usborne Book of Face Painting - Caro Childs and Chris Caudron. Usborne Publishing Ltd., 2007. Big photos of kids painted faces and illustrations to show how to do it.

Super Masks & Fun Face Painting - Teddy Cameron Long. Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 1997.

100 Things for Kids to Make and Do - Petra Boase, Marion Elliot, Cecilia Fitzsimons, Judy Williams and face painting by Bettina Graham. Anness Publishing Limited, 1996. More than just face-painting ideas; this book is full of craft ideas.

FX Faces: Special Effects Face Painting by Snazaroo. Kingfisher, 1997.



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FACEPAINTS

Mallatt's Pharmacy They have Ben Nye Johnny Brown face-paint crayons.

<http://mallatts.com/commerce/product.jsp?prodId=3661&catId=2042> .

These crayon's gentle formula mixes quickly with water for paint on colors without a brush.

Available in a 6 or 10 pack size. Easy clean-up with soap and water.

Currently, for my WendtWorks Facepainting business, I purchase Paradise Makeup AQ 30. I use with brushes to be able to paint fine details.

Please call Toll Free at 1-877-687-5287 Ext. 7 (Local-608-238-3106 Ext 7) or e-mail (info@mallatts.com) Karen (a different Karen, not me.) They give 10% off for libraries.

Snazaroo <http://www.snazaroo.com/>

Face paints have been reviewed by an independent professor of dermatology and professional toxicologists. However, ... try a small test area on the inside of the arm. Snazaroo face paints are manufactured using approved ingredients fully compliant with EU & FDA toy and cosmetic regulation and are non-toxic. For US Customers 800-451-4040. Email usa@snazaroo.com, Website www.snazaroo.us

Crafty Dab Jumbo Crayon Face Paint can be purchased online from DickBlick.

<http://www.dickblick.com/products/crafty-dab-jumbo-crayon-face-paint/> They are listed as non-toxic and hypoallergenic - but most theater makeups do not list that they are hypoallergenic, because so many people have reactions to all different kinds of things. At \$3.00 per 6 pack, it sounds like a good deal, however, not having ever tried them, I have no idea about their quality. Other really inexpensive paints I have tried did not suit my needs.

Carandache NeoColor - They are artist's colors that work nicely, however, I used them for facepainting years ago before I learned about Paradise and Johnny Brown. They are not "face-paints" or hypoallergenic. <http://www.dickblick.com/products/caran-dache-neocolor-ii-artists-crayons/> They can be purchased in Madison at JT Puffins: 274-5613 <http://puffins.com/> They are listed as AP safe, non-toxic. Blick's Art Company staff tells me that "you could eat them" but if put on skin someone could react.

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