

# My Crayons Are Too Small!

## (Make Your Own Rainbow Crayon)

For grades K-2

Watch the following fun video-reading of the book *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daywalt: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZttMDho5HMw>.

Now let's take all those little crayons we have laying around that aren't being used and make one big rainbow crayon!

For this project you will need:

Broken crayons

Paper cup

Newspaper or paper plate

**\*A grownup to help you\***



First, take a bunch of crayons and peel off the labels.

You can use colors that are similar or any combination you like! I've used warm colors for my crayon - those are colors that remind of you the sun like reds, oranges, pinks, yellows and a little purple. I even threw in a white!



Put all your crayons into a small paper cup. Place the cup on a paper plate or newspaper on the dashboard of your parent's car in the morning and shut the door. **(Be sure to ask your parent's permission, and for them to help you! It is not safe to go into a car without a grownup.)** Leave it there for the day, then go back to get it.

Be careful - if you pick up your cup during the hottest part of the day, the crayons may be hot and melty!

Carefully carry it inside and place your cup on the counter where it won't spill so it can cool.





When it's completely cool and hardened, simply pop your new rainbow crayon out of the paper cup.

You now have a colorful new crayon! What are you going to draw first?  
Try turning your crayon around and use different sides.  
What colors can you find?



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