

Volcano magic!

Most of us like to do arts and crafts with our children at some point, but how many of us do experiments? I know I never have.



Last week, BB desperately wanted to take part in an after school science club, but unfortunately (for the 3rd time), he didn't get in (well, not until January anyway). He was really disappointed, so I thought, how about doing some simple experiments at home?

I found one of his birthday presents we had put away for a rainy day (which didn't really occur in the summer). It was 'making a volcano'. We got it out to have a go. It was fantastic!

The look on BB's face and the screams from all three children were amazing! They were absolutely struck and fascinated by it!



You could easily replicate this experiment without the kit. All you need is:

- 48ml White Vinegar
- 1 tsp Bicarbonate of soda
- A resealable pot with a small 1mm hole in the top
- A tray
- You could use food colouring too to make it look really authentic!

Put the vinegar in the pot, then add the bicarbonate of soda and reseal with the lid very quickly, then voila....you get a shooting volcano! (Stand back!, Safety goggles recommended)

I knew BB would love this, as he is so inquisitive. I will definitely be digging out his simple science experiments book for more science fun.

I would urge you to have a go, little children can be so fascinated and excited by this 'magical chemical reaction'!