

## **Homemade Butter Activity**

## MATERIALS:

- 1/3 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1/4 tsp salt
- Marbles (appx. 6–7)
- Plastic container with tight lid (screw-top is best!)
- Strainer or dishtowel

## STEPS:

- 1. Gather all your materials!
- 2. Add your ingredients!
  - Measure out the heavy whipping cream and salt and pour into the container.
- 3. Add the marbles!
  - Add the glass marbles to the container with the cream and salt. Six to seven marbles are appropriate for this recipe but add more if you scale it up.
- 4. Close up your container!
  - Place the lid securely onto your container. A screw-top container is best since it makes a tight seal. Make sure that your container and lid are not fragile, since the marbles will be hitting against them.
- 5. Make the butter!
  - Vigorously shake the container with the marbles! You'll need to shake for about 10 minutes, or until the butter reaches a whipped consistency. The marbles help to churn the cream into butter!

- 6. Give it a try!
  - Once the butter has reached a whipped texture, give it a taste! Does it taste different than the butter you've had before?
  - You can pour off the extra liquid. This is buttermilk, which can be saved to make pancakes or other baked goods!
- 7. Clean up the marbles!
  - Once you've made your butter, take out the marbles before putting it away.
    Place the marbles in a fine-mesh strainer or dishtowel and run under water until clean.
- 8. Enjoy!
  - Now that you've made your butter, you can use it just like the stuff from the store! You can enjoy a small amount of your homemade butter on top of steamed vegetables!
  - If not using all your butter at once, you can store it in the fridge for an additional day or two.

**SAFETY:** Marbles can be a choking hazard – use caution around young children!



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