



# Pumpkin Pie Finger paint Ages 2 years to 3 years

**Objective:** The child can paint a pumpkin picture using their fingers and hands with pumpkin pie filling.

**Materials needed:**

Pumpkin cutout (print from resources page)

Pumpkin pie filling (large can) \*Always read ingredients first to make sure your child is not allergic to anything\* If your child is make substitute "paint mixture"- water and baby oatmeal, mix together and add in a very small drop of orange food coloring to make "orange paint" and use that mixture for this activity

**Procedures:**

1. Have your child sit at a kid-friendly table and wear an old shirt for this messy painting activity. Do in an easily cleanable area, such as the tiled floor or kitchen.
2. Put the pumpkin picture cutout in front of your child on the table.
3. Put a spoonful of pumpkin pie filling (or substitute paint mixture) on top of the pumpkin.
4. Model. Stick one finger in the filling and smear it around on the pumpkin cutout sheet as a form of painting. Encourage child to do with you.



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6. Watch as your child will dip their fingers (or whole hand) in the pumpkin pie filling and "paint" on the pumpkin. Encourage them to "stay in the lines" on the pumpkin cutout.
7. Help and model to teach as necessary.
8. Allow pumpkin to dry completely overnight.

### **Milestones to meet:**

The child can use their fingers and hands to paint in order to build tactile and fine-motor development. The child shows willingness to paint inside the lines of the pumpkin.

### **Evaluation:**

Did this lesson work for your child? Why or why not?