

Chemistry *Tie-Dying Instructions*

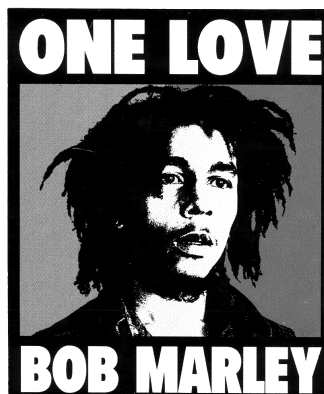
Before Tie-dying:

1. Use only 100% cotton clothing items. Items that are not pre-shrunk will shrink slightly, so keep this in mind when purchasing.
2. Hand wash with a little bit of dish soap to remove any brighteners or other chemicals that might interfere with the dye.
3. Wring out the clothing items and soak them in a bucket with soda ash for at least 15 minutes, preferably overnight. (CAUTION: Soda ash is slightly caustic; wash your hands after contact or wear gloves.)



Tie-dying:

1. Wear rubber or latex gloves – the dye will stay on your hands for days!
2. Wring out the clothing items and use rubber bands and the included instructions sheet to pick a pattern to tie in place.
3. Once tied, soak the clothing items with lots of dye!
 - Pink + a little Yellow = Orange
 - Yellow + a little Blue = Green
 - Red + a little Blue = Purple
4. Place the clothing items in large ziploc bags to sit for at least 24 hours in a warm environment.



After Tie-dying:

1. While wearing gloves, wring the clothing items out in a sink with hot water to get rid of excess dye.
2. Wash the clothing items by themselves in the washing machine with hot water and detergent.
3. Run the clothing items through the dryer on the hottest setting to set the dye.

Have fun!