Parent Guide: Earth, Crystals, and More Crystals

1. Borax Crystal Experiment
2. Salt Crystal Painting Craft
3. Add-On Activities

1. Borax Crystal Experiment (Day 1)
   Grow crystals of your very own! (2 part experiment)

   Supplies Needed:
   - borax
   - string
   - 2 pencils
   - pipe cleaners
   - large bowl
   - 2 identical jars
   - scissors
   - tablespoon
   - hot water

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2. Salt Crystal Painting
   Turn a STEM activity into a STEAM activity by adding art!

   Supplies Needed:
   - white cardstock
   - white school glue
   - table salt
   - pipette or dropper
   - 4 cups
   - food coloring
   - water

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3. Add On Activities
   Mystery Box
   Gather 5-10 shoe or other old boxes and fill them with varying objects and substances from around the house. Talk about the differences between solids, liquids, and gases and then have kids close their eyes, reach in, and guess!

   Fractal Design
   A fractal is a curve or geometric figure with repeating statistical characters. Do some research on fractals then head out on a nature walk to find some. When you return design and draw your own!