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Face Forms

Each package contains five different faces. Kids can pick the one that most closely resembles themselves, or choose the one they like the best! **Face Forms** are made of a unique non-porous material that resists glue and other adhesives so you can work right on them. Once dry, pop off your mask and decorate.

Try working on both sides of **Face Forms**. It's easier to lay clay or papier mâché over top of the mask making it perfect for younger children. For more detailed masks, try applying the clay to the inside of the form.

In addition to papier mâché and clay try these techniques:

Tissue Paper Mosaics: mix a glue solution of 1 part glue for every 3 parts water. Rip or cut 1" (2.5cm) squares of multicolored tissue paper. Dip the tissue paper into the glue solution and apply to **Face Forms**. Let dry and pop off the form. Tip: the glue will dry shiny and smooth on the face form. If you want the shiny side on the front of your face, work on the inside of the form. Likewise, if you don't want a shiny finish on your mask, work on the outside of the form. Finish off your project by cutting out eyes to make a mask.

Self Expressions: children can create unique self portraits. Each child chooses a form from one of the five designs and covers it with a thin layer of clay or papier mâché. Once dry, pop the layer off the form and decorate. Use skin tone prints, hair colored yarn, eye colored buttons, etc., to get a "true-to-life" look.

Masks: use **Face Forms** to create scary masks for Halloween or Mardi Gras or beautiful masks inspired by cultures from around the world. Tip: when applying clay or papier mâché, do not cover the eyes or mouth. This way you will not have to cut the masks once they are dry. Research masks over the course of history and from different cultures. What significance do these masks have? What recurring images and motifs do masks have and what are their meaning and significance? Children can choose to incorporate these design elements into their personal masks. When finished, kids can write stories based on the masks.

