HOW IS A CRAYON MADE?

In this close-up view inside a crayon factory, bright color photographs show how tanks of steaming wax are transformed into the favorite childhood art supply

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Themes: Discovery of how colors are made...what ingredients it takes.

This book has lots of words but it will introduce your child to what's involved in "making" one of their favorite treasures.....crayons. If you think that the book is too wordy to start with, go over the basics of what's involved and keep the book on the shelf to talk about later.

If you want to have some fun making new colors from your old ones, all you need is old or broken crayons, a muffin tin and cupcake papers. Take the paper off of the old crayons, sort them by color. You can mix colors together and make rainbow crayons, too. Fill the muffin tin with liners and place the crayons into the muffin tin. Bake the crayons in a 350 degree oven until the crayons are melted. Let cool and peel away the paper liners. New (recycled) colors!