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## GOT BLOOD?

Other than the obvious ways, breaking into a local blood bank and making a withdrawal or storing it up yourself from your victims (we jest), here's a tried and true way for making your own fake blood. But making blood can be tricky, if you want it to look good.

### Easy Blood Recipe



**1 pint of clear corn syrup**  
**1/4 cup of water**  
**1/4 cup sifted flour or corn starch**  
**100 drops red food coloring**  
**8 drops blue food coloring**



First remove about a 1/4 cup of the corn syrup and replace with an equal amount of water. Add the food coloring and mix by gently shaking. Now add the well sifted flour or corn starch and mix again. If flour is used you may get some small lumps in your "blood". We'll call them "clots". Let the bottle sit for a couple of minutes and they will float to the top where you can remove them.



You can experiment with the amount of materials to get the best blood-like consistency. This formula may temporarily stain skin and may permanently stain clothes because of the food coloring used. Because of the natural sugar content of the corn syrup, this blood does not have a very long shelf life. You can extend the life somewhat by storing the blood in the refrigerator until needed. It sure tastes good!

There are also many types of pre-made blood that can be purchased at this time of year. Our favorite is by Bloody Mary. It's thick, looks like real blood and believe it or not, doesn't stain. It washes off easily and is not sticky. This can be found at [www.dearbloodymary.com](http://www.dearbloodymary.com)

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