

Treasure Stones Recipe:(Makes 3-4 stones)

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup used coffee grounds (I get them for free from Starbucks since I'm not a coffee drinker)
- 1/2 cup salt
- 1/4 cup sand (I've used sand from the beach, the playground, and cornmeal when I didn't have any sand- they all worked great!)
- 3/4 cup water
- Small toys and prizes- marbles, plastic animals, fake or real coins, and play jewelry are great choices!

1. Preheat the oven to 175 degrees. Combine all of the dry ingredients, and then slowly add in the water and stir until the mixture becomes a dough. I mixed up the dough in my Kitchen Aid, but you could also use a mixing bowl and a spoon. Every time that I have made this recipe, the dough is a little bit too wet, so I just add extra flour or sand (or cornmeal) to get it to the right consistency. You want the dough to be nice and firm, not too wet.

2. Roll a piece of dough into a ball, add the toy to the middle, and then roll back out the dough with your hands so that it forms a nice smooth ball. Place in the oven and bake for 45 minutes. Be sure to let them cool before letting kids break them open.