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Basics Steps to Applying & Removing Grease Paint

Here are some tips. There are many ways to apply and remove make-up. Experiment and find what is most comfortable for you.

- ♥ Clean shaven and/or beard trimmed (especially you Lady Clowns).
- ♥ Put on blouse or shirt (any garb which you will not be able to put on after make-up is applied).
- ♥ Apply white paint (No, not latex house paint...grease paint!)
 - ♥ *Full White Face Clowns*- include ears and neck to shirt/blouse line
 - ♥ *Auguste & Other Clowns*- around eyes, nose, smile
- ♥ Powder paint and *lightly* brush away excess powder (Johnson's Baby Powder® works well). (Cover your grease paint containers prior to powdering to prevent flying powder from caking your remaining paint. NOT GOOD!!) Be careful not to breathe in powder while powdering.
- ♥ Apply secondary darker colors and grease pencil outlines (if used). Feather or blend as needed around lips and other areas.
- ♥ Powder and brush away excess powder.
- ♥ Let the grease paint absorb the powder for a couple of minutes.
- ♥ Spritz with water atomizer and lightly pat dry with tissue.
 - ♥ If powder is blotchy in darker grease paint, wet tissue and blot in that area to absorb the excess powder.
- ♥ Apply nose (Spirit Gum, ProKnows ®Adhesive Latex Nose Glue, Duo Eyelash Adhesive ®) (Caution- if you use a product with latex in it, you may be prohibited from some hospital "No Latex" areas).
- ♥ Apply rouge (if used)
- ♥ Dress in remainder of costume
- ♥ Removing Make-Up - Johnson's "No Tears" Baby Shampoo ® and shaving cream are excellent. (There are also professional, more expensive make-up removers.)