

# ATTENTION JUNIOR SPIES!

BELOW YOU WILL FIND INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE YOUR VERY OWN AUTHENTIC SPY LETTER. JUST FOLLOW THE SIMPLE DIRECTIONS, WITH THE HELP OF AN ADULT, AND YOU WILL BE ABLE TO CREATE A SECRET MESSAGE JUST LIKE ROBERT TOWNSEND!

## HOW TO MAKE PARCHMENT PAPER

### INGREDIENTS

PAPER, WATER, 3 TEA BAGS

### UTENSILS

TEA KETTLE, 2" DEEP BAKING PAN, TONGS, STRING, CLOTHESPIN

1. WITH THE HELP OF AN ADULT, BOIL WATER.
2. ONCE BOILED, POUR WATER INTO BAKING PAN UNTIL IT FILLS HALF WAY.
3. PLACE TEA BAGS IN THE BAKING PAN AND LET STEEP FOR SEVERAL MINUTES.
4. PLACE PAPER GENTLY IN THE PAN, MAKING SURE THE WATER EVENLY COVERS IT.
5. STEEP PAPER IN THE WATER FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES, OR UNTIL IT REACHES THE DESIRED COLOR.
6. HANG STRING OVER SINK OR TUB.
7. CAREFULLY REMOVE THE TEA-SOAKED PAPER AND HANG IT WITH THE CLOTHESPIN UNTIL DRY.
8. ONCE DRY, YOU CAN WRITE LETTERS TO ALL YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY ON THIS ANTIQUE-LOOKING PAPER.

### INGREDIENTS

## HOW TO MAKE BERRY INK

1/2 CUP RIPE BERRIES (BLUEBERRIES, CHERRIES, BLACKBERRIES, STRAWBERRIES OR RASPBERRIES WILL ALL WORK), 1/2 TSP. SALT, 1/2 TSP VINEGAR.

### UTENSILS

MEASURING CUP AND SPOONS, STRAINER, BOWL, WOODEN SPOON, SMALL JAR WITH TIGHT-FITTING LID.

1. FILL STRAINER WITH BERRIES AND PLACE IT OVER A BOWL.
2. WITH THE ROUNDED BACK OF THE WOODEN SPOON, CRUSH THE BERRIES.
3. LET ALL THE BERRY JUICE STRAIN INTO THE BOWL.
4. THROW THE PULP AWAY.
5. SLOWLY ADD SALT AND VINEGAR TO THE JUICE IN THE BOWL AND STIR WELL.
6. IF THE JUICE IS TOO THICK, YOU CAN ADD A TABLESPOON OF WATER.
7. POUR THE 'BERRY INK' INTO THE SMALL JAR AND KEEP THE JAR CLOSED WHEN NOT USING IT.
8. MAKE ONLY A SMALL AMOUNT OF INK AT A TIME.
9. DIP A QUILL PEN INTO THE JAR AND USE IT TO WRITE LETTERS.  
(THE INK MAY TURN INTO WHAT LOOKS LIKE JELLY AFTER A WHILE, BUT DO NOT EAT IT)

### INGREDIENTS

LEMON JUICE, PAPER

### UTENSILS

1. POUR A SMALL AMOUNT OF LEMON JUICE INTO THE CUP.
2. DIP TOOTHPICK OR PAINTBRUSH INTO THE JUICE.
3. WITH TOOTHPICK OR PAINTBRUSH, WRITE A SECRET MESSAGE ON THE PAPER.
4. LET THE MESSAGE DRY COMPLETELY.
5. HOLD THE PAPER UP TO A LAMP AND WATCH AS THE MESSAGE MAGICALLY APPEARS.  
(ALWAYS MAKE SURE NOT TO HOLD THE PAPER TOO CLOSE TO THE LAMP SO AS NOT TO CATCH FIRE)

## HOW TO MAKE INVISIBLE INK

\*\*\* CAN YOU FIND THE SECRET CULPER CODE HIDDEN WITHIN THE PAGES OF THE COMIC? USE THIS CODE TO CREATE YOUR OWN SECRET MESSAGE \*\*\*