

Ghost Rockets

Watch some ghosts fly in this fun science experiment

Supplies Needed

- Film canisters (preferably clear)
- Cornstarch
- Water
- Alka-Seltzer or Eno Antacid Effervescent Powder
(found in most drug stores)
- Black permanent marker
- Small spoon or stick



Directions:

1. Using the black marker, draw a ghost face on the film canisters. The mouth should be closest to the lid.
2. Add 1 tablespoons of cornstarch to each film canister.
3. Add warm water until the canisters are filled roughly 1/3 of the way.
4. Stir the water and cornstarch until the cornstarch dissolves.
5. Find a place outside where your ghosts can fly. It is best to do one ghost rocket at a time.
6. Break a piece of Alka-Seltzer in half, and place into the canister.
7. Quickly put the lid on, flip the ghost rocket over (so the lid is on the ground), and step back.
8. Within seconds, the ghost rocket will fly high into the air, so watch out!

CAUTION

Make sure to stand back. The ghost rockets explode quickly and fly very high into the sky! Adult supervision is recommended.

