

At-home science activity





You will need:

- A clean pizza box
- Aluminium foil
- Black construction paper
- Strong cling film or clear plastic (laminated plastic works well)
- Wooden dowl or straw
- Glue
- Scissors
- Marshmallows







Note: This activity works best in warm, sunny weather.

Safety note: Temperatures inside the oven may reach around 130°C.

- Draw a square on the lid of the pizza box, leaving a border of about an inch from the edges.
- 2. Cut three of the sides and fold the fourth to create a flap.
- 3. Cover the inside surface of the flap with aluminium foil, smoothing it down and gluing into place.





- 5. Line the base of the box with aluminium foil and then cover this in black construction paper, taping these into place.
- 6. Close the lid then lift the top flap. Use a piece of dowel or straw to prop open the flap so that it can reflect the Sun's light (and heat) energy into the oven.
- 7. Place food, such as marshmallows, on a plate inside the oven. You may even manage to bake biscuits inside.
- 8. Monitor the temperature inside the oven with a thermometer or datalogging equipment.