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## ABOUT

The Little Buddha sculpture is based on the Walter's Art Museum's large collection of Buddhas, which are made out of all types of materials, including stone, bronze, and wood.

## MATERIALS

Model Magic\*  
Metallic gold paint markers  
Your hands!

\*Model Magic is a product of Crayola, and is available at most craft stores.

## VOCABULARY

**Buddha:** A diety from the religion of Buddhism. He stands for wisdom, purity, peace, and nature.

**Sculpture:** A three dimensional piece of artwork that you can walk all the way around! Sculptures can be made out of many materials like stone, wood, clay, metal, and more!

**Bronze:** A metal used in many sculptures. This metal can last a very long time and can look like gold, green, or black.

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Begin with a ball of model magic the size of a golf ball and place in between the palm of your hands. To make it a perfect ball shape, move one hand in a circle clockwise, and the other hand counter-clockwise until the ball is the shape of the Buddha's belly.
2. To make the head, pinch off a smaller piece of model magic and repeat the process of making a ball. Gently press the head onto the belly.



3. To make Buddha's hair knot, make an even *smaller* ball to place on his head.
4. It's time for the arms and legs! To make each arm and leg, you will make coils (or snakes!). With a piece of clay, place in between palms and move hands in an up and down motion until you've rolled out a coil that you're happy with.
5. Connect your coils to make the Buddha sitting or standing, and put the arms in your favorite Buddha pose!
6. Time to make your Buddha shine! Using the metallic paint marker, "paint" the Buddha gently, careful not to dent your hard work.
7. For your Buddha to become a permanent statue, let him sit for a while (overnight) and then he will harden into a wonderful piece of art!

