What’s That Smell?
Can you match the scent in the jar to the ingredient on your worksheet?

AGE: 5-10 | ESTIMATED TIME: 15-20 minutes

WHAT YOU’LL NEED

- 9 small mason jars
- 9 cotton balls
- Fish oil
- Lemon juice
- Coconut oil (melted)
- Jarred garlic
- Vinegar
- Vanilla extract
- Almond extract
- Olive oil
- Apple juice

HOW IT’S DONE

1. Dip each cotton ball in a different liquid to absorb the scent and then place them in separate jars. Close the mason jars with lids so you can’t smell what’s inside.

2. Give your kid the printable and line the jars up in front of them. If you have more than one child who wants to play, distribute the jars and printables evenly between them.

3. Now ask them to match the smell in the jar to the ingredient on their printable.

HOW IT WORKS

This is a great experiment to teach your kids about olfaction, their sense of smell. Some scents like vinegar or garlic are very pungent and your kids will likely match them easily. Others like coconut or olive oil can be a little bit more difficult to assign. If you have more ideas for scents to try out, create your own sheet!
1. OLIVE

2. GARLIC

3. FISH
4. VINEGAR

5. VANILLA

6. ALMOND