Sticky Ice

Science Experiment

Method

- 1. Children are to put on their gloves.
- 2. Put salt in one bowl, water in another bowl and the ice cubes in the third bowl.
- 3. Lay out a piece of string next to the bowls.
- 4. Put some ice cubes in the bowl with the water.
- 5. Challenge the children to see if they can lift a piece of ice from that bowl using only the string.
- 6. After several attempts, pass them the bowl of salt ('magic powder').
- 7. Ask them what they think will happen if they sprinkle the salt onto the ice.
- 8. Place the string over the ice and sprinkle the salt over the string.
- 9. Count together to 60, then carefully lift the string up by each end.
- 10. Hey presto! The ice cube is stuck to the string!

You will need:

Gloves

Ice cubes

Water

String

Salt

3 bowls

