









DYEING EGGS WITH NATURAL DYES

Material Used		What color do you think the egg will turn?	What color did the egg actually turn?
Red Cabbage			
Coffee			
Beets			
Turmeric			
Onion Peels			
Blueberries			



How many guesses did you get correct?

What other kinds of foods or natural items might be good for making dye?

Vocabulary

Mordant

Something added to the dye to help the dye to stick to the eggshell (or yarn, fabric, etc.). A mordant is an acidic material that partially breaks down the item being dyed.

Acid

Sharp- or sour-tasting liquid that can break down other materials.

What mordant did we use today?

Do you think any of these other liquids could work as a mordant? Why or why not?

Orange Juice

Soda

Milk

Water