

# Harry Potter Style Potions

## Potion #1: Exploding Soap

### Supplies You'll Need:

- Bar of Ivory soap (Muggle Soap)
- Plate
- Microwave

### Instructions:

Step 1: Place Muggle Soap on a plate (must be Ivory soap).

Step 2: Heat in the microwave for 2-3 minutes.

Step 3: Watch as it bubbles and grows into a cloud-like shape over 6 times its original size.  
(careful – it's hot!)

Step 4: Once the soap cools, it is capable of cleaning even the most stubborn magical stains from a wizard's or witch's skin.  
Break off a piece and use with water to wash.

Lucky Kid!



## Potion #2: Burning Basilisk (Snake) Skin

**Note: ADULT SUPERVISION REQUIRED. Flame is involved.**

### Supplies You'll Need:

- Powdered sugar (or grind table sugar in a coffee grinder) (Powdered Basilisk Skin)
- Baking soda (Horn of Bicorn)
- High-proof alcohol, rubbing alcohol, fuel oil (Dragon Drool) - Use something that will burn hot. We used rubbing alcohol.
- Heat-resistant bowl or pan (We used a Pyrex mixing bowl.)
- Matches or gas firestarter

### Instructions:

Step 1: In your plastic cup (Small Cauldron), mix: 4 parts powdered sugar (Basilisk Powder) to 1 part baking soda (Horn of Bicorn)  
(We used 4 teaspoons sugar: 1 teaspoon baking soda)

Set the powdered mixture aside.

Step 2: In your large Pyrex or metal bowl/pan (Fireproof Cauldron):

Flip the cauldron (cup) full of powdered mixture over in the bottom of your heat-resistant mixing bowl or pan.  
(It's like making a sand castle.) Leave the cup in place.

Step 3: Add Dragon Drool (alcohol or fuel) to bowl. Stop when the bottom of the bowl is covered.

The more you add, the longer you'll have to wait for your fire to burn out.

Lift the cup away carefully. You want to keep the powder dry, so try not to let it spread out into the fuel.

Step 4: Have an adult ignite the fuel using a firestarter or match and stand back. We just dropped the match in and let it burn along with the alcohol.

Never add more fuel to the burning snake. You risk igniting the alcohol stream. This potion will probably burn longer than you expect. Ours kept going for several minutes. Keep careful watch on it!

At first, you'll see a flame and some small black balls. When the mixture starts reacting to the heat, you can watch little carbon snakes start to extrude. You'll also start to smell it! The little snakes may combine into one big snake! They could also remain as several smaller snakes, each about the width of a pencil. Caution: The bowl will be hot. Don't let little fingers (or big ones) touch it. And be sure to let the bowl cool completely before you rinse it.

