Bread Mold Germs

Materials

- 5 Slices of bread
- 5 Sandwich baggies
- Hand sanitizer
- **Soap**









Students will learn about the spread of germs by observing the growth of mold on slices of bread.

6th - 8th Grade

Directions

- Label your 5 sandwich baggies. Label the bags control, dirty hands, soap and water, hand sanitizer, and door knob.
- 2. Without using your hands, place one piece of bread into your "Control" bag.
- 3. Without washing your hands, place one piece of bread into the "Dirty Hands" bag.
- 4. Wash your hands with soap and water, and then place a piece of bread in the "Soap and Water" bag.
- 5. Use hand sanitizer, then place one piece of bread into the "Hand Sanitizer" bag.
- 6. Take the final piece of bread and rub it on a door knob in your home. Place this piece into the "Door Knob" bag.
- 7. Close the bags and allow them to sit for 4 7 days.
- 8. Observe which slices of bread grow more mold over time. Once finished, dispose of the bags without opening them.

