**Lord of the Rings Prop Rocks**

Learning Objectives

After studying this lesson your students will be able to:

* Demonstrate how to actually design some real stage props
* Explain how a dramatic production can benefit from stage props
* Explain why props are so important to a stage production

1) These are quite simple to make, yet look surprisingly real from even a few yards away.

2) Take sheets of brown paper and crumple them up into balls. It is best if you crumple them as tightly as possible.

3) Next, unfold them and dab on paint with your sponges. This doesn't have to be precise, as the audience will not see them up close.

4) Refold the rocks as tightly as possible.

5) Use your staplers to fasten the rocks around the edges where needed.

6) Finally, stack your rocks in a visually pleasing arrangement.