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# Family Times

## Summary

### ***Special Effects in Film and Television***

Have you ever wondered how movie monsters and dinosaurs can seem so real? In this article, we follow the process of a group of special effects artists as they create a miniature model of a prehistoric landscape, complete with dinosaurs that move!

### **Activity**

**Your Own Miniature Model** Using materials you find around the house and outside, such as scrap wood, cardboard, construction paper, rocks, and sand, create a miniature model of a scene from a favorite story that you would like to see made into a movie.

## Comprehension Skill

### **Graphic Sources**

**Graphic sources** are visual materials such as pictures, time lines, maps, charts, and diagrams that make information easy to understand. Previewing graphic sources before reading a story or article can help you predict what it will be about.

### **Activity**

**Get the Picture?** Take turns describing stories or articles that this picture might accompany. Create as many captions as you can for the picture.

