

CREATE OR FIND A PROP CHALLENGE

Create or find a prop to fit a scene from a play or musical.

1. Think of a scene from a play or musical that requires a prop. Try to choose a scene where the prop is essential to the story. If you need some ideas, check out the list of shows (below).
2. Once you've chosen your show, complete the worksheet (below) to gather your thoughts and ideas.
3. Create! Search your home for materials to create your prop. You may need to modify or adjust an already existing item to fit the show.
Please make sure to ask permission before making changes to household belongings!
4. When you're satisfied with your prop, record a video telling us about it. Why did you choose the prop and scene that you did? What is it about your prop that is essential to the story? How did you make it? How does it work?
5. Upload! Upload your video on the ACT Spotlight page so we can share it on The Intermission Show!
6. Videos: Check out the linked videos (below) on lots of different kinds of props

SHOW SUGGESTIONS WITH GREAT PROPS!

Beauty and the Beast
The Little Mermaid
Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory
Harry Potter
Phantom of the Opera
Wicked
Sweeny Todd
Into the Woods
Alice in Wonderland
The Wizard of Oz
Charlotte's web
Aladdin
Velveteen rabbit
Peter Pan

PROP DESIGN WORKSHEET

1. What is your prop, and what is the scene(s) in which it's used?
2. What purpose does the prop serve?
3. Is there anything in the story that describes the prop or informs how it should look or function?
4. Write down any ideas you have about your prop. Or sketch them out!

PROP VIDEOS TO CHECK OUT:

- ◆ Check out this video on prop design, creation, storage, and maintenance at the Disney parks:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PEzoH2BVsb0>
- ◆ A behind-the-scenes look at the props of the Harry Potter films:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PxyxeBV4yo>
- ◆ A day in the life of a Prop Director:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g8EkmeAnWRA>
- ◆ This prop master makes amazing paper props for movies and TV:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6gJcWEDrAk>
- ◆ If you've got more time, this is a super cool video on specialty props for stage:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ADR5VRaJ5mY>