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## Wood, stone, metal, pottery



Encourage the teens' existing creativity and let it come to fruition by planning, designing and realising a joint project. It is possible and makes sense to let the teens themselves work out the type and execution of a project in the competition. The joint realization of the project should lead to a sense of achievement, which encourages more creative activities (project can be combined with public relations!)

## Four different project types

#### The way to do it:

- Select ideal project for your TC or select with teens
- Estimate costs and effort
- Contact political community for projects planned in public places or specifically for the public
- If necessary, call in experts as consultants
- Clarify where machinery and special equipment can be borrowed
- Figure out the idea (possibly plans) in more detail and think about it
- Procure materials
- Let creativity, resp. teens prevail

#### Effort:

- Planning the project
- Gathering the necessary machines/tools
- Finances for materials
- Labor requirements depending on the project
- Motivating leaders and teens for the project
- Possibly design whole weekend with the support of a professional

#### Aids:

- Workbooks, hobby books, and theme books
- Advice and ideas from professionals
- Creativity from the team and teens

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#### WOOD, ideas

- Carpentering massive tables and benches
- Building models (car, animals, etc. in normal and larger dimensions)
- Build soapbox and organize a race in the village
- Craft wooden toys (puzzle, mobile, etc.)
- 1 Week Robinson's playground who will build the most beautiful hut out of slab boards
- Set up giant chair
- Craft large cross for church or youth room
- Build swing, play tower, etc. for nursery or kindergarten
- Build raft
- Build tree huts for youth group

#### Materials:

- Ward boards from sawmill
- Waste from veneer and planing mill, as well as local carpentry and joinery
- Do-it-yourself center
- Glue
- Screws/nails
- Ropes
- Tools depending on project

#### STONE, ideas

- Plastics, sculptures, sculpture, art objects
- Making with stone, glass concrete, figurines
- Mosaic (possibly large area, with interlocking stones)
- Establish a wall in a square as a think piece
- Eternalize the feet and hands in cement slabs
- Make models like cars, group of upholstery, animals etc. in stone
- Brief weights
- Make pyramid, castle, house, etc. Models from small bricks
- Set up cheminé station for community
- Create faces with plaster
- Gypsum eggs as Easter surprise
- Covering a styrofoam figure with plaster

#### Material:

- Plasterboard
- Powdered gypsum (white plaster: Lenolit)
- Natural stones from the stream
- Possibly old gravestones
- Backstones
- Glass concrete (Siporex or Ytong is suitable like Styrofoam from the processing, but is hard!)
- Firebrick

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#### METAL, ideas

- Wire figures
- Create the body of a junk car
- Disassemble and put together an old car engine
- Make wind harps out of metal tubes, nails
- Craft a tandem out of two old bicycles
- Sculpture from scrap metal
- Turn an oil drum into an oven
- Laying a water pipe for a mountain farmer
- "Güggel" made from tin
- Craft knights out of tin cans
- Craft copper and brass jewelry
- Have homemade items chrome plated
- Invent original barbecue

#### Materials:

- Sheet metal, wire, iron profiles
- Canned goods cans
- Scrap metal, scrap metal
- Waste from locksmith or plumbing shop

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#### POTTERS, ideas

- Crazy Mugs
- Noah's Ark or Nativity figurines for nursery
- Oil lamps
- Vases
- Plates with dedication, Bible verse
- Brooches
- Dinnerware for congregation
- Figures and shapes on a theme

#### Material:

- Clay
- Pottery wheel
- knife
- Glaze/colors



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