

# Building a Web

## Materials:

- white or silver string
- scissors
- black construction paper
- black yarn
- glue or stapler
- liquid correction fluid
- artist's matte finish

## Directions:

1. Divide the students into teams of about three each.
2. Provide each team with all of the materials listed above as well as a large, flat surface on which to work.
3. Instruct each team to construct a web from string. They will first need to cut several lengths of the same size and then attach them together on one end. (See illustration #1.) This will be the center of the web. They should then lay these strings out like the spokes of a wheel. Next, they can cut lengths that they will weave around the spokes, wrapping or tying the string at each section. (See illustration #2.) They should do this in the pattern of a spider's web. When complete, they can spray the web with matte finish and let it dry. This should stiffen the web. (See illustration #3.)
4. A spider can be made by cutting a small circle from the black paper. Slit one radius of the circle. (See illustration #4.) Fold the cut ends over one another to make a small point in the circle. (See illustration #5.) Cut eight short lengths of black yarn and glue or staple them around the body. Dot liquid correction fluid for the spider's eyes. (See illustration #6.)
5. Attach the spider to the completed web.

