

## **The Arts**

### **Activity 4: Set Design**

You are in charge of set design for the drama, “The Pilgrims of Plymouth.” It is the story of William Bradford and the Pilgrims as they face the challenges of a new land with the help of Native Americans. The first scene takes place inside Bradford’s Plymouth home as his wife prepares the noon meal. Your job is to design the set to depict a Plymouth home in February, 1622.

Think about these points:

- What materials would be used to construct the house?
- What furnishings would be seen in a 1622 Plymouth home?
- How was food prepared during colonial times? What cooking utensils would have been used? What food would have been eaten at the noon meal?
- What evidence will there be that this scene is taking place in winter?

### **Projects**

- Design a set for the opening scene of “The Pilgrims of Plymouth.” Determine the set’s dimensions in feet. Make sure the materials, furnishings, and food would have been used in colonial times.
- Make a scale drawing of the set. Show the size and position of each element, such as furniture and other accessories.