

create BURNT Wood and COOKIE Text!

This tutorial show you how to create an burnt wood and cookie text effect. Both uses the same technique. It is easy!
Important is the right texture and some special brushes.

Start with a canvas 1000x400px and load the wood or cookie texture.

This burnt wood texture is mixed from 3 photos (www.cgtextures.com) using the clone tool:



The cookie texture is mixed from 6 own photos:



Font: Sans Bold 235px

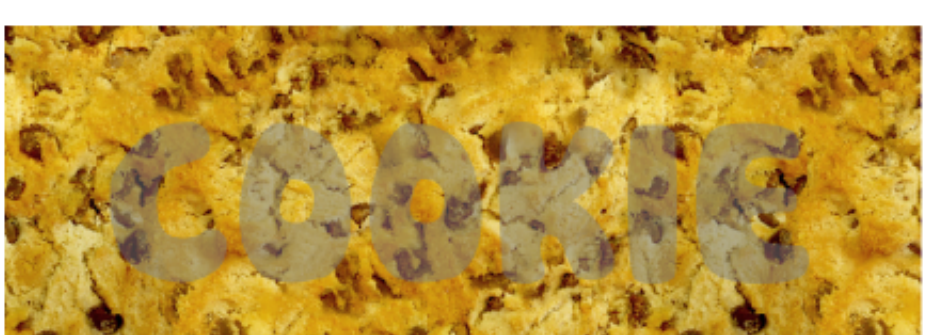
Write your word on a new layer.
Text color: 50%grey = Html 7f7f7f

Font: Cookies 240px

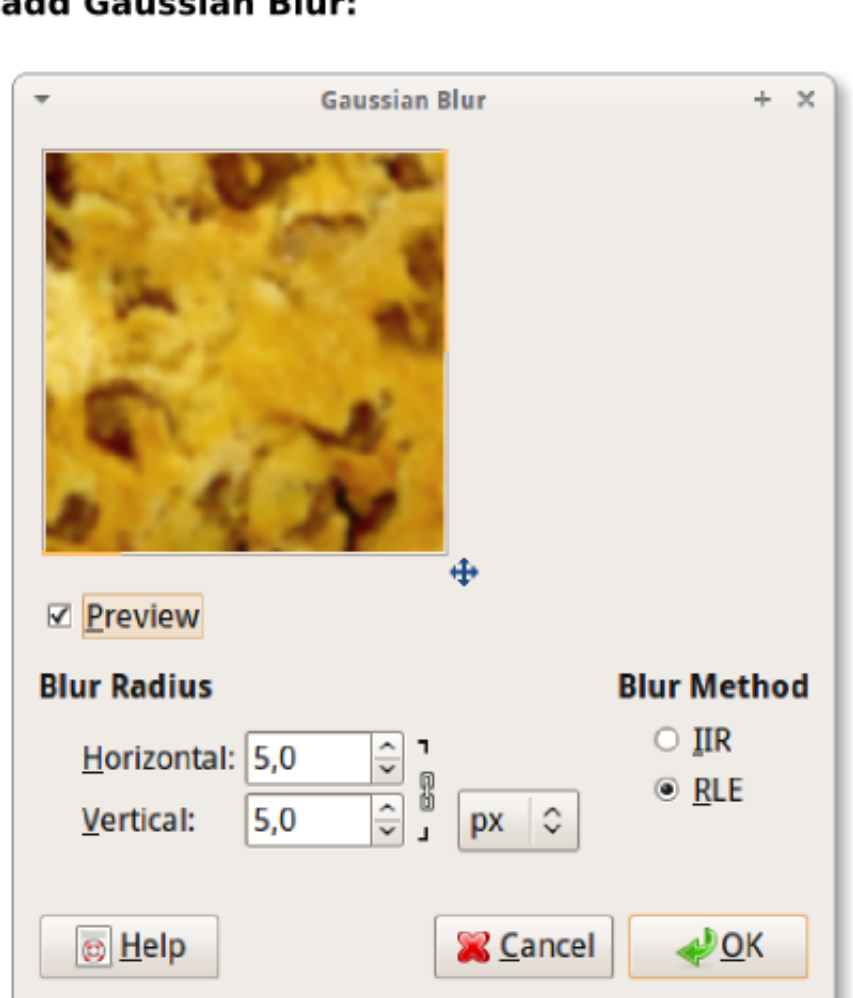
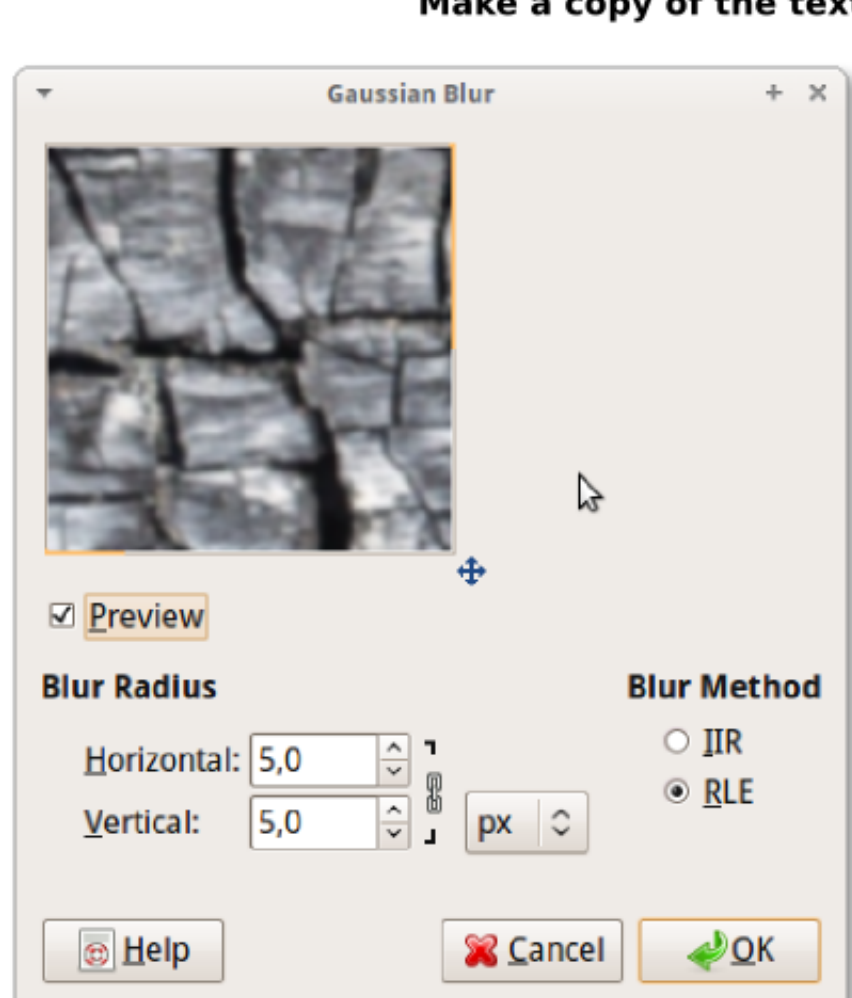
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The texture size is bigger than the canvas, you can decide which part you want to use. Better set the opacity of the text down. You can also scale the texture.



All layers:
Layers > Layer to image size Opacity 100% again.
Make a copy of the texture layer and add Gaussian Blur:



Now use the blur-texture-layer as source to deform the text.
Filters>Map>Displace x=3px Y=3px

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Make a copy of the text layer and add Gaussian Blur:

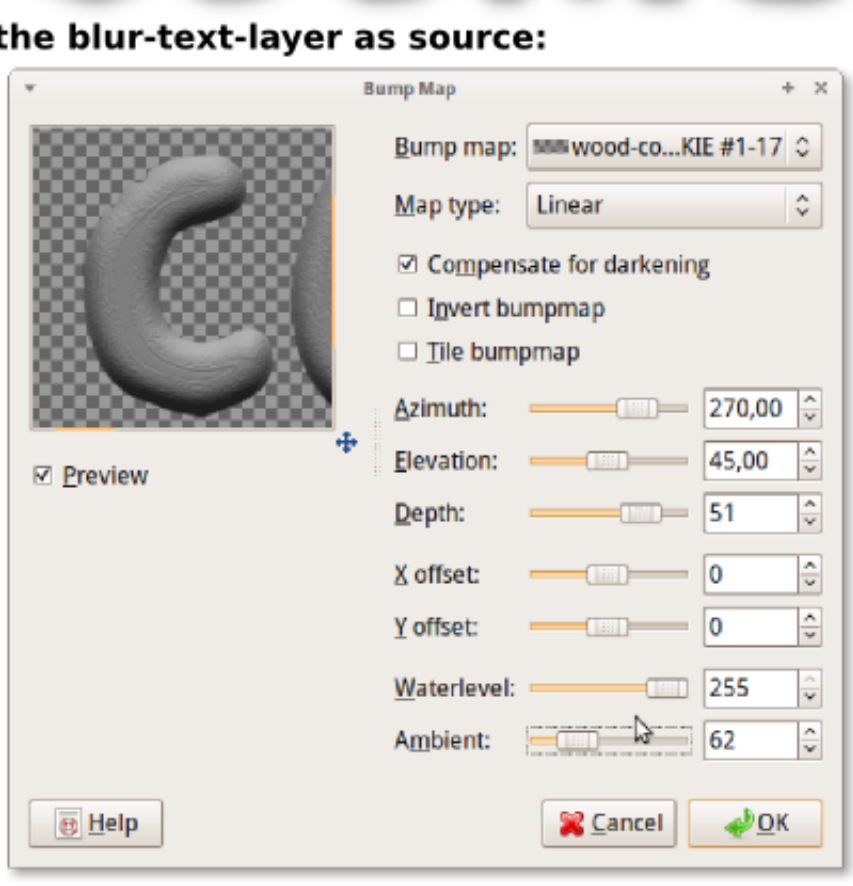
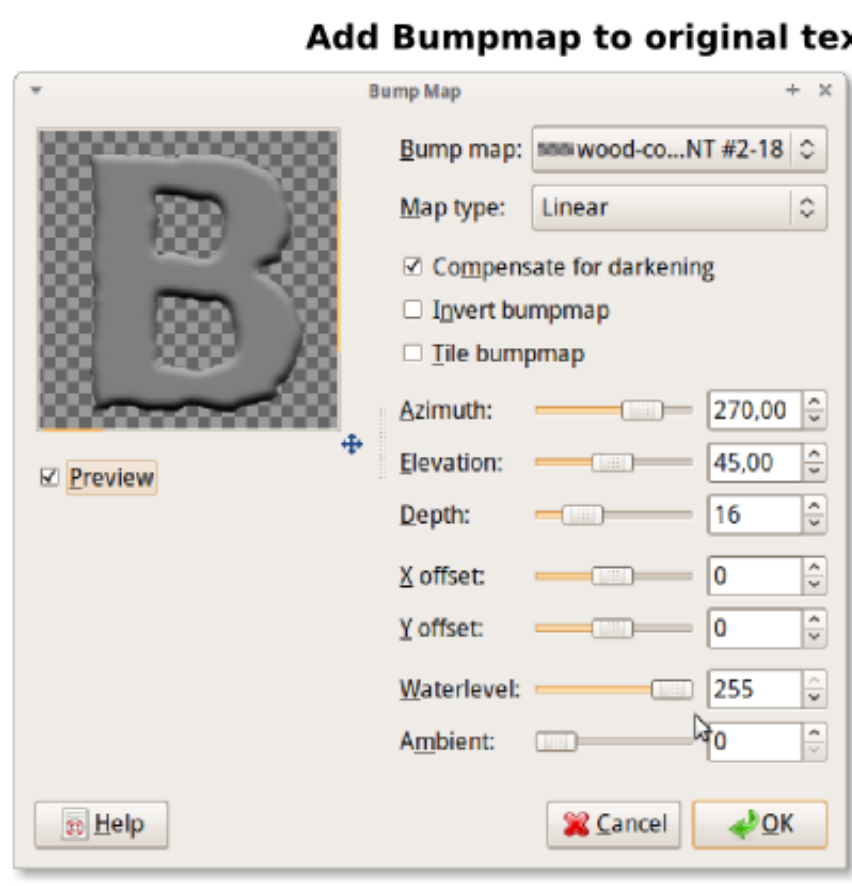
Blur Radius H=10px V=10px

Blur Radius H=25px V=25px

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Add Bumpmap to original text-layer, using the blur-text-layer as source:



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Add alpha chanel to the textures.
Layer > Transparency > Add Alpha Channel

Go to the text layer and select the alpha channel and invert it (Ctrl+I).

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Now switch to the texture layer and cut the selected part.

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Set this layer mode to "Grain merge" (textures must be over the text layer now!)

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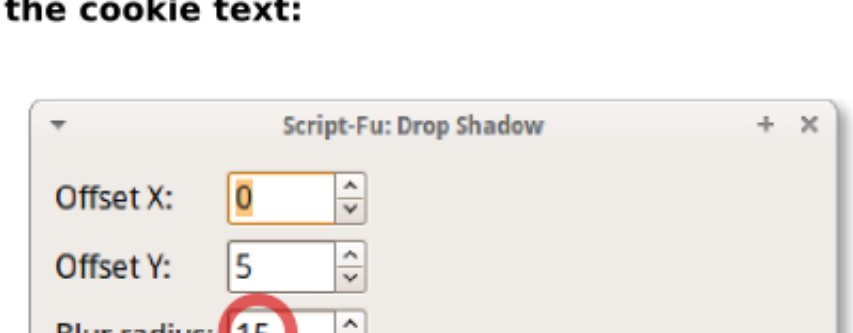
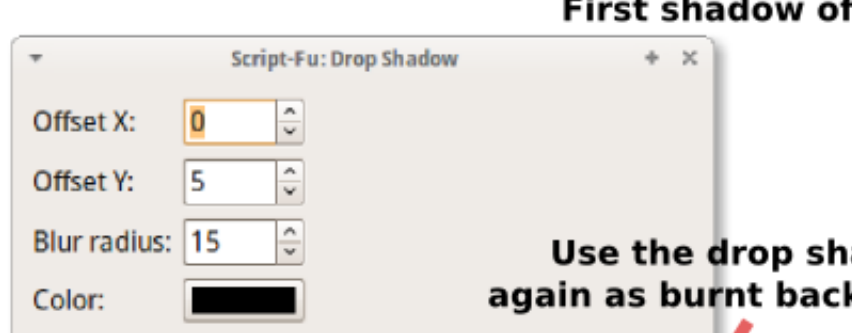
Create a new layer from visible. (without any background)



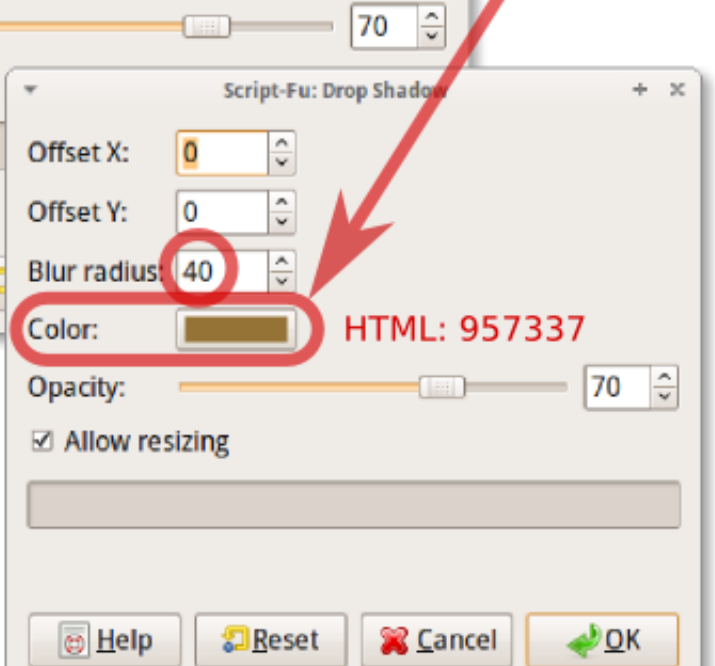
Erase some parts of the wood and make hard edges round. The cookie texture do not really need it.



If you are ready, add drop shadow.
First shadow of the wood like the cookie text:



Use the drop shadow again as burnt background:



Simple drop shadow is enough for the cookies!

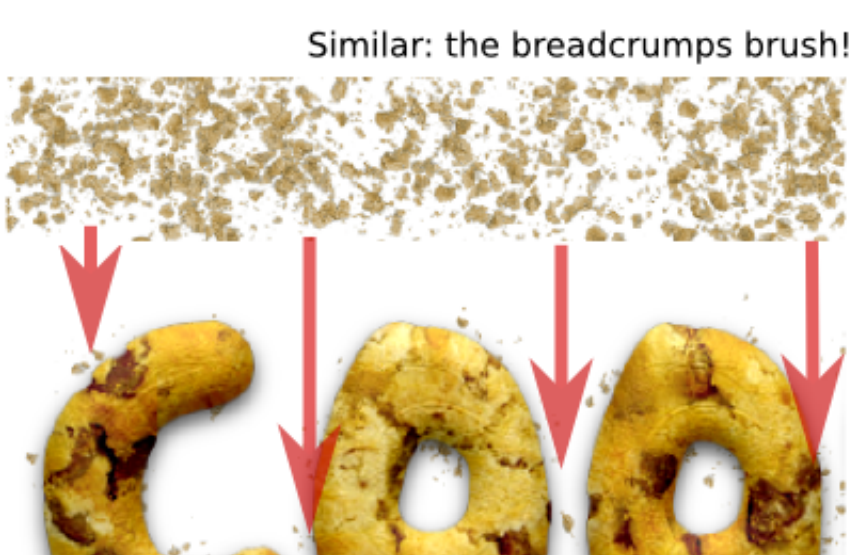
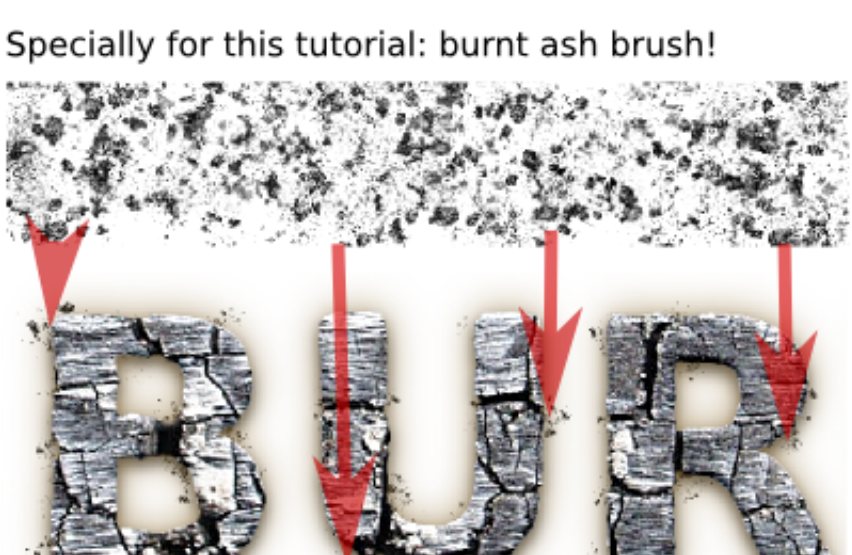
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Create a layer behind the drop shadow and brush some burnt ash or crumbs:

Specially for this tutorial: burnt ash brush!

Similar: the breadcrumbs brush!



Now add a background and paint some white smoke on a new layer:
(smoke brush is already installed in GIMP!)

