



Challenge

# Cover Feature



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▼ A Shanghai barbershop.



## Fun with clay

Clay modelling is a popular **pastime**. However, making small-scale models is a fine art that needs **steady** hands, a pair of sharp eyes and a good memory. This art form recreates memories. It is like taking a **snapshot** photo in clay.

Miniature model expert Vivian Lee Ka-lin (李嘉蓮) said creating models is a good way to bring old memories back to life. "Things have disappeared over time, but we can remember them forever with miniature art. Creating a **scaled down** 3D model of a memorable place is actually a good way to keep the memory alive."



A typical scale for miniatures is 1:24 or 1:12. **Precise** calculations are **essential** but having a good memory and good mathematical skills are only part of it. In an age of factory-produced goods, being able to create things by hand makes this art form even more special.

Look at the scale! Isn't it just amazing?



## Vocabulary

pastime (n) 消遣  
steady (adj) 穩固的

snapshot (n) 快照  
scaled down (phr v) 縮小

precise (adj) 精確的  
essential (adj) 必要的