



## Unit 30 – Drywalls

### Task 04

Announcer: Listen to the information about plaster.

Narrator: Plaster is a building material used for the protective or decorative layer of walls and ceilings and for moulding and casting decorative plaster elements. This work is done by the stucco plasterer. Let me give you some important information on plaster:

When plastering an interior wall, the material mostly used is gypsum-based plaster. This is for several reasons:

Firstly, gypsum plaster takes up and gives off water. Therefore, it is responsible for a good room climate regulating humidity.

Secondly, gypsum is fire resistant and makes the drywall non-flammable.

Finally, gypsum plaster is easy to work with and has a short drying time. Make sure the walls are dust-free before you apply the plaster.

When you work with plaster, keep in mind the following instructions:

Always store plaster in dry conditions.

Plaster is always added to water; never the other way round. Make sure you mix it well.

Mix plaster in small quantities only, since it hardens quickly.

Make sure you work with clean tools.

Now let's start at this side ...