Creating Embossed Letters

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Start with a new texture or with a plain color.

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Create a new channel and type your text (don't deselect).

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Press CTRL+J to defloat your selection and use the Gaussian Blur filter with a setting of 2-4. Your image should look like this. In Photoshop 5.x, you can complete this step by applying the Gaussian Blur with your image or text still selected.

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Go back to the layer with your texture and select the Filter>>Render>>Lighting Effects filter. Use the following settings (from top to bottom): Omni, Check, 13, 25, 0, 14, 20, #4 Channel, Check, 20. Now click OK to create this effect.

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To add more contrast, choose Select>>Inverse and fill with a solid color.

Your final text should look like this:

Note: What final effect you end up with is largely determined by the texture or color that you use.

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