



W/C 01/09/2008: PATROL CHALLENGES

At the beginning and end of Troop evenings this term, Scouts should choose to read a short Scouts Own – many examples can be found online, or from resource available from the Scout Information Centre.

Badge Requirements:

Promise Challenge – Relationship With Your God – Take part in a number of acts of worship with others in the Troop, such as Scout parades at your place of worship, and/or Scout's Owns.

Promise Challenge – Relationship With Your God – Choose and read prayers and/or reflections for your Troop's opening and closing ceremony.

Time	Activity	Notes	Who
5	Welcome & Opening Ceremony Start the evening and explain to them what they will be doing that evening.		
5	Game: Human Knot (POL 24648) - All the group stand in a circle - Everyone lifts up their right arm and grabs anyone else's hand - Then with their left hand, they grab the hand of a different person - Remember to remind them that they cannot grab the person stood next to them or the same person twice or it won't work! - The group then need to unravel themselves without letting go with their hands	Note: Adults should not play this game with young people, as it involves close contact	
15	Game: Splat the Balloon (POL 8753) - Split the Section into equal teams, and give each team a cricket bat. You will need a healthy supply of inflated balloons - In turn, each Cub/Scout picks up the bat, moves to the other side of the meeting place (or a fair distance from the rest of their team) and then attempts to burst a balloon. Once they splat the balloon, they return to their team, placing the cricket bat on the floor - The first team to successfully splat a balloon each, returning the cricket bat to the floor in front of the team, sitting in line quietly, wins!	Equipment: Balloons, Bats	
15	Patrol Activity: Review the Troop Code of Conduct - Give each patrol a copy of your Troop's code of conduct, ask them to read it, discuss it between themselves. - Then discuss as a Troop, any changes or amendments they would like to suggest.	Badge Requirements: <i>Promise Challenge</i> – The Life of The Troop – Contribute to the writing or reviewing of the Troop's code of conduct.	
15	Patrol Activity: Law & Promise - Ask Scouts to discuss between themselves the meaning of the Scout Promise, and how they think it is relevant to them today, - Give each Patrol a newspaper and ask them to pull out stories which they can link to the lines of the Promise and Law – helping others, people doing their best etc	Equipment: Newspaper per patrol Badge Requirements: <i>Promise Challenge</i> – Commitment to the Promise & Law – Explain the meaning of the Scout promise and law	



<p>15</p>	<p>Patrol Activity: Whose Face? (POL 6721)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Divide the troop into even patrols / groups with about 5/6 in each - Give each group a paper plate, different face parts, glue, wool and a dice - Each member of the groups takes it in turns to throw the dice, they will need a 6 to start - Using the list attached the groups construct the face by throw the dice and sticking on the appropriate part - The groups can either decide to construct a normal face or a face which looks more like modern art - When all the faces have been constructed you could have an art show to see the creations of all the groups 	<p>Preparation: Before the meeting gather pictures from magazines of people's faces, you will need to cut out the individual parts out: eyes, eyebrows, noses, ears, mouth</p> <p>Equipment: Colouring pencils, Felt tip pens, Glitter, Glue, Scissors, Paper plates, Pictures of parts of faces from magazines, Wool (for hair)</p>	
<p>15</p>	<p>Patrol Activity: Writing Challenge (POL 4720)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assemble the Section in their Patrol groupings (or similar small groups) - Hand out the attached worksheets - Give the Troop a time limit to hand in the sheets, e.g. 10 minutes - Pick out some of the best efforts 	<p>Equipment: Pencils, White paper</p>	
<p>5</p>	<p>Closing Ceremony</p> <p>Wrap up the evening, give out any notices for next week etc.</p>	<p>Notices: Give out any notices for the coming weeks.</p>	<p>SL</p>

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Patrol Writing Challenge

Each member of your Patrol needs to complete the following tasks using the paper and pencils provided:

- Write your first name with your strong hand
- Write your surname with your weak hand
- Draw a picture of a person using your teeth
- Write your date of birth using your left foot
- Write the name of your Patrol using your right foot
- Draw an animal using your elbows