

BSA OE 106 - Advancement Activities

Outdoor Ethics- It's in Their Books! Lions and Tigers and Bears - Oh My!
Try activities designed to assist Cub Scouts in their advancement . Have fun with fast moving hands on activities.



Activities:

Teach Outdoor Code – use handsigns:

Outdoor Code:

As an American - salute

I pledge -hold up hand

to be:

Clean in outdoor manners – rub hands together like washing hands

Careful with fire – form hands in triangle with fingers up, wiggle fingers

Considerate of Others – shake hands or bow to neighbor

Conservation Minded – point to head, binoculars or rock a baby

How does LNT support the ODC?

ODC: a promise to take care of nature

LNT: a solution to care for and share nature

LNT Principles

1. Know before you go (pointer finger along side of nose)
2. Chose the Right Path (walk 2 fingers on hand)
3. Trash your Trash (scoop something up)
4. Leave What you find (snap picture with fingers)
5. Be careful with fire (make triangle with hands, wiggle fingers)
6. Respect Wildlife (make binoculars with hands)
7. **Be kind to other Visitors (shake hands with neighbors)**

if you plan carefully and act responsibly you will leave no trace of your time outside

Create Awareness: Help Charlie Turn a TOAD: Toadally Outdoor Awesome DUDE!

Form groups of nature critters. Careless Charlie does careless activities by each group: (makes a fire, lets dog loose, dumps cooking water into a pond, picks flowers) Critters react and ask what should he do to be respectful of nature and others? Charlie answers with what he should do to respect nature

Tell Audience to Say **THATS AWESOME DUDE!** After each answer Careless Charlie gives!
Give Charlie the TOAD necktie !

Activity/ GAMES

6 year olds - Tigers:

ODC – hand signs

LNT hand signs

The message: Care, Share, and Repair Nature

ODC: Be Clean in you Outdoor Manners

LNT: Trash Your Trash

Handbook: Did you leave where you hiked as you found it? Pickup candy wrappers, recycle your water bottle? Bring a reusable bottle for next time? When with your family did you pick up after your dog? Draw a picture of how you followed ODC:

Bring less – reduce the Trash game – – how much to stuff?

Take 2 big garbage bags and newspaper. Show different ways to crumple paper. Each group gets to stuff the newspaper into bag. Which group can get more in?

Winner: the one who folds/flattens the paper then puts it in. Solution: if you bring things that can be repackage/folded, it reduces your trash to carry out.

Pick up after your dog Activity:

Doggie Doo Relay: each person runs to plastic bag, puts inside out, grabs poo, puts in bucket

7 year olds - Wolves: Call of the Wild - Be careful with fire

ODC Be Careful with Fire: “I will prevent wildfires, I will build my fire in a safe place and put it out properly”

Handbook - always have adult supervision, Only build in an approved place (fire ring) on gravel, sand or bare soil far away from trees or brush. Put out when not needed. Ground should be cold. Clean up site, return materials to original place.

Words to use in activity:

Fire ring, Water bucket, Small flames - Watch it, Extinguish

Farmer in the dell song with actions?

A fire gets built in a ring.... make circle with hands

The water bucket goes nearby: scoop water and set it down

Keep flames below your knees – push hands out from knees

Watch the fire burn – binocs with hands

Put it out when you are done: stamp the ground

Fire Ring Song –? Hokey pokey?

Ya put your tinder in, ya keep the extra out, ya put your tinder in to

Dont put your orange rind in, just keep your orange rind out, dont put your..or throw it all about. Ya do the hokey pokey and you keep a fire ring clean: that what ist all about

Dont put your tin cans in, just keep your tin cans out,

Wolves – Paws on the Path: Respect Wildlife

Handbook: “Before hiking, recite the ODC and LNT for Kids Principles. After hiking discuss how you showed respect for wildlife. Page 103 complete activity to mark which actions show respect for wildlife...”

do the thumb thing: hold up and cover animal with thumb keep that far away

Respect Wildlife Activity - Are you nervous yet?

Divide into types of animals and 1 group of campers.

On 1. Campers, walk towards the animals – no talking,

on 2. stand still and tell your friend a secret

on 3 – walk toward animals talking about the game you just attended

Animals – move away from the one that makes you nervous

when babies are young, have small groups, use soft voices, form small groups

Respect Wildlife Activity: Dangling Delights

– tie a hobo pack? Kerchief, stick, stuff, string

relay race: stand behind stick: run to kerchief, bring back to group, next runs to oreos bring back, next run to string, bring back – tie bundle to stick, sling stick over shoulder and march group in a circle. All sit down.

9 year olds: Bears: Bear Necessity. Know Before You Go

Handbook P 47. Make a list of items to take on a camp out. Include 6 essentials

Whats the Right Thing? Activity:

Place 12-15 items on tarp, six of them represent the Cub Scout 6 essentials. Form circle, each can take one item then next persons turn. See how many can identify all 6 essentials!(First aid, filled water bottle, flashlight, food, sun protection, whistle.)

Bear Necessity Choose the Right Path/Camp Right

Handbook p 53: Help setup a tent. Pick a good spot. Explain why you picked it. Move rocks out of the way and replace when done. Always follow LNT.

The Right Place Activity:

Large sheet of paper: each scout writes a word/draws a picture of things to look for and avoid when picking a place for their tent. Have den discuss each one.

Handbook pg 83: Fur Feathers and Ferns: Leave What You Find, Be Kind to Other

visitors. Observe wildlife from a distance. Make a periscope. **Pg 85.** Draw a picture so others can enjoy plants you see.

Activity: Invasive species: take sticky tape and put on legs. Team one tosses cotton balls at the other. Jump 10 feet like a deer. Count how many stuck. Switch roles. Discuss importance of cleaning off boots, pants, trailers when out camping.