Cub Scout Den Meeting Outline

Month: **March**

Point of the Scout Law: **Trustworthy**

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**Materials:**

- Gathering: copies of word search, pencils
- Opening: flag
- Activity: craft sticks, pencils, markers, Leave No Trace mini-posters
- Game: None
- Closing: lines to read
- Home assignments: None

**Advancement:**

- **Tiger** – Tigers in the Wild 3
- **Wolf** – Call of the Wild 3, Paws on the Path 4
- **Bear** – None
- **Webelos** – Webelos Walkabout 4
- **Arrow of Light** – Outdoorsman B4
Leave No Trace Principles for Kids Word Search

Below is our list of Leave No Trace Principles for Kids. Find the CAPITALIZED words below in the word search above.

LEAVE NO TRACE PRINCIPLES for Kids

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Respect for the Outdoors Opening

Materials:
flag

Cubmaster:
*Who can tell me what the word “Respect” means?*

[Cub Scouts may share ideas centering on how they treat other people – their parents, teachers and friends, for example. Let them know that those are good answers. Respect is showing regard for the worth of someone or something.]

*What does it mean to show respect for the outdoors or for the earth?*

[Hopefully the Cub Scouts will be able to apply their previous ideas of respect to people to respect for the outdoors and to the resources that we have on the earth. Have them come up with ideas of what they can do to show more respect for the outdoors. This discussion can be referred to at the end of the month when you discuss Leave No Trace. Cub Scouts can help protect the environment by remembering that while they are there, they are visitors. When we visit the outdoors, take special care of the area. Leave everything just as you find it.]

*Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Scout Oath.*
Rearrange – Leave No Trace Principles for Kids

Materials:

7 craft sticks for each Cub Scout
Pencils/Markers
Small posters of the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids (1 for 10 Cub Scouts)
Small rubber band (for holding finished craft sticks together)

Instructions:

1. Explain to the Cub Scouts that they are going to learn the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids.

2. Show one of the small posters with the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids and repeat it with them and show them how the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids has 7 lines.

3. Pass out the craft sticks and markers/pencils.

4. It may take time, but have each Cub Scout write each line of the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids on one of the craft sticks (if a line takes both the front and back of the craft stick, that is fine).

5. The finished sticks may look something like the following:

   Know Before You Go
   Choose the Right Path
   Trash Your Trash
   Leave What You Find
   Be Careful with Fire
   Respect Wildlife
   Be Kind to Other Visitors
6. The Cub Scouts can then put the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids in the correct order, repeat it while removing certain sections, etc.

7. Cub Scouts can use the rubber band to hold their craft sticks together.
Leave No Trace Principles for Kids

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I’m Going on a Campout Game

Materials:
None

Instructions:
1. Divide Cub Scouts so that they are in groups of no more than 15-20 Cub Scouts.
2. Have Cub Scouts sit in a circle on the floor.
3. There are no “special rules” to this game. This is a memory game.
4. Start with a first Cub Scout or a leader who says something like, “I’m going on a campout and I’m going to take a sleeping bag.” The next person says something like, “I’m going on a campout and I’m going to take a sleeping bag and a pillow.” The next person says something like, “I’m going on a campout and I’m going to take a sleeping bag, a pillow and a backpack.” Each additional person going around the circle has to repeat what the previous people have said before him. This is why the groups should be limited as to how many there are.
5. If a Cub Scout or leader doesn’t remember all of the items, that’s OK. They can add to the end of the list and then the next person can try. Or, all of the boys can say the items together.
6. As items are named, the leader can quickly enforce what the good things are that would be needed on a campout for the individual Cub Scout and for use by the group.
7. The goal is to get the Cub Scouts to make their list go all the way around the circle.
Allegiance to the Outdoors Closing

Cubmaster:
We are coming up on the time of the year when we use the outdoors more. We are hiking the trails or just going to the park. Each of us, as Cub Scouts, should be loyal to the outdoors just as we are to our country. Each Cub Scout should know and understand the Outdoor Code.

Cub Scout # 1:
As an American, I will do my best to be clean in my outdoor manners; I will keep my trash and garbage out of America’s waters, fields, woods and roadways.

Cub Scout # 2:
Be careful with fire; I will build my fire in a safe place and be sure it is out before I leave.

Cub Scout # 3:
Be considerate of the outdoors; I will remember that the use of the outdoors is a privilege I can lose by abuse.

Cub Scout # 4:
And be conservation minded; I will learn to practice good conservation of soil, waters, forests, minerals, grasslands, and wildlife and I will urge others to do the same.
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– Word Strips for Cub Scouts to read

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