



5th Grade Webelos Scouts



Have you added new members to your Webelos den? If any new boys join your den this year, make certain they complete the requirements to earn their Bobcat badge. Tell the parents they must complete at home Bobcat Requirement 8, using “How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent’s Guide,” in the front of the *Webelos Handbook*.

Helpful Hints for Den Leaders

The tone you set at the first meeting will determine, to a large extent, the success of your year. Wear your adult uniform to all meetings and remind boys to wear their uniforms. Be completely organized before the start of the meeting. Explain clearly to the boys the behavioral expectations. You may wish to use the “good conduct candle” approach (*Cub Scout Leader How-To Book*). Be friendly but firm with the boys.

Ask your assistant den leader (or parent helper) to arrive at least 15 minutes before the starting time of the meeting. He or she can help you with final preparations before the boys arrive.

During the summer between the fourth and fifth grade, at least two months before den meeting #1, distribute the Family Member activity badge chart (below). Set a due date for completion. Participate in pack summertime activities to earn the National Summertime Pack Award pin. You may choose to use the Scout Oath and Law as part of your opening, to allow the boys to learn them for the Arrow of Light Award requirements. Create a poster or purchase BSA item No. 34880B. Distribute the Family Talent Survey Sheet to the parents of new boys, asking them to complete and return it to you at the next meeting. (The Family Talent Survey Sheet can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu).

Requirements for the Arrow of Light Award include visiting a Boy Scout troop meeting and each boy deciding which troop he wishes to join. Contact area Boy Scout troops for a list of events that your Webelos Scouts may attend. With the Webelos den, plan to visit at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity. These activities must be different from the outings used to earn the Outdoorsman activity badge (Arrow of Light Award requirement 4). After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6.)

These meeting plans include many suggested field trips. Depending on your circumstances, you may not be able to plan or have access to all of these field-trip opportunities. Webelos activity

badges can be earned in your regular den meeting location as long as the requirements are met. Inviting an expert in a chosen field to assist at your den meeting could be a great way to complete requirements.

At least two weeks before any field trip, a local tour permit should be filed with the council service center. A permission slip (informed consent agreement) should also be secured from the parent or guardian of each Webelos Scout.

In order for all of the boys to complete Webelos badge requirement 6 (plan and lead a flag ceremony in your den that includes the U.S. flag), each boy should be assigned a meeting for which he can plan and lead a flag ceremony. At the end of each meeting, remind the boy who will be planning the next meeting's ceremony so he can prepare. A flag ceremony can be as simple as reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and reciting the Cub Scout Promise. Wolf Achievement 2b in the *Wolf Handbook* offers examples of simple flag ceremonies.

A snack at den meetings is optional. Set the example with healthy, nutritious snacks. Be aware of any food allergies of den members and communicate these to parents who may be assisting with the snacks.

You may wish to distribute a family information letter the conclusion of each den meeting. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.) The letter tells parents what was completed at each meeting and provides information on upcoming den and pack meetings and activities.

Encourage the boys to earn the religious emblem of their faith. Talk about earning the National Summertime Pack Award pin, the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award, the Cub Scout World Conservation Award (if not already earned), and Cub Scouting's Leave No Trace Awareness Award during the year. Distribute and review the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines before any field trip to a park or playground. (The guidelines can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources/leavenotrace and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Open each den meeting by saluting the U.S. flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. While showing the Cub Scout sign, recite the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack. Optionally, you may choose to also show the Boy Scout sign and recite the Scout Oath and Scout Law. See *Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs* for detailed guidelines and ceremony examples.

Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America
And to the republic for which it stands,
One nation under God, indivisible,
With liberty and justice for all.

Cub Scout Promise

I, *(name)*, promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people, and
To obey the Law of the Pack.

Law of the Pack

The Cub Scout follows Akela.
The Cub Scout helps the pack go.
The pack helps the Cub Scout grow.
The Cub Scout gives goodwill.

Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.

Scout Law

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

Outdoor Code

As an American, I will do my best to—

Be clean in my outdoor manners. I will treat the outdoors as a heritage. I will take care of it for myself and others. I will keep my trash and garbage out of lakes, streams, fields, woods, and roadways.

Be careful with fire. I will prevent wildfire. I will build my fires only when and where they are permitted and appropriate. When I have finished using fire, I will make sure it is cold-out. I will leave a clean fire ring, or remove all evidence of my fire.

Be considerate in the outdoors. I will treat public and private property with respect. I will follow the principles of Leave No Trace for all outdoors activities.

Be conservation-minded. I will learn about and practice good conservation of soil, waters, forests, minerals, grasslands, wildlife, and energy. I will urge others to do the same.



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #1

Aquanaut activity badge (complete), Family Member activity badge (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Plan this den meeting at the end of the summer, just before the beginning of the school year. Families of any nonswimmers should take swim lessons over the summer to prepare for the Aquanaut activity badge at the end of the summer.
- At least one month in advance, make arrangements with an outdoor or indoor pool. Ask a lifeguard or water safety instructor to work with the boys. Give the Aquanaut activity badge and Swimming belt loop requirements to the lifeguard at least a week in advance.
- Arrange to have personal flotation devices available, as well as equipment for reaching and throwing rescues.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before this activity. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu)
- Send permission slips for this aquatic outing to each family, to be returned as boys arrive at the site.
- A minimum of one adult leader must complete Safe Swim Defense online training at the BSA Online Learning Center. Sign into the Online Learning Center through the MyScouting portal (www.scouting.org/applications/myscouting).
- Remind boys to bring their completed Family Member activity badge requirements to this meeting.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips as boys arrive.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.
- Collect Family Member activity badge requirements and record additional requirements completed over the summer.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.

- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Aquanaut activity badge requirements:

1. Jump into water over your head. Come to the surface and swim 100 feet, at least half of this using a backstroke.
2. Stay in the water after the swim and float on your back and your front, and demonstrate survival floating.
3. Put on a personal flotation device (PFD) that is the right size for you. Make sure it is properly fastened. Wearing the PFD, jump into water over your head. Show how the PFD keeps your head above water by swimming 25 feet. Get out of the water, remove the PFD, and hang it where it will dry.
4. Do a front surface dive and swim under water for four strokes before returning to the surface.
5. Explain the four basic water rescue methods. Demonstrate reaching and throwing rescues.
7. Pass the BSA "swimmer" test:
 - Jump feet-first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming.
 - Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl.
 - Then swim 25 yards using an easy, resting backstroke.
 - After completing the swim, rest by floating.

The 100 yards must be completed in one swim without stops and must include at least one sharp turn.
8. While you are a Webelos Scout, earn the Cub Scout Sports belt loop for Swimming.

Closing:

- Snack.
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

The Webelos Scouts who participated in den meeting #1 should now have earned the Aquanaut activity badge. Those completing Family Member activity badge requirements during the summer have earned the Family Member activity badge. These should be presented to qualifying Webelos Scouts at the next pack meeting.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #2, instructional material for ultimate can be obtained from your local parks and recreation department, library, or university or college athletic department. Another resource is the Ultimate Players Association Web site

(www.upa.org). Video papers are available at this site for various plays and strategies for the game; click on Physical Educator Outreach.

- Bring plastic playing discs, a U.S. flag, and the den flag.

At this time of year, area Boy Scout troops will hold various recruiting events, including open houses and outdoor activities. Contact area Boy Scout troops for a list of events that your Webelos Scouts may attend. With the Webelos den, visit at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity. These activities must be different from the outings used to earn the Outdoorsman activity badge (Arrow of Light Award requirement 4). After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6.)



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #2

Sportsman activity badge (partial), Ultimate belt loop

Preparation and materials needed:

- Instructional material for ultimate can be obtained from your local parks and recreation department, library, or university or college athletic department. Another resource is the Ultimate Players Association Web site (www.upa.org). Video papers are available at this site for various plays and strategies for the game; click on Physical Educator Outreach. Go over the information with your Webelos Scouts. Perhaps recruit a special guest who has actually played the sport.
- Bring plastic playing discs, a U.S. flag, and the den flag.

Gathering:

- Snack.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Sportsman activity badge requirements:

1. Show the signals used by officials in one of these sports: football, basketball, baseball, soccer, or hockey.
2. Explain what good sportsmanship means.
4. Earn a Cub Scout Sports belt loop for ultimate (a team sport).
 - Explain the rules for ultimate.
 - Practice ultimate for 30 minutes.
 - Play a game of ultimate.

Closing:

- Retire the colors.

- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Next Up:

- For den meeting #3, research the rules of soccer. Check your local library and youth soccer leagues in your area for information and resources. Also see the U.S. Soccer Federation (www.us-soccer.com) and American Youth Soccer Organization (www.soccer.org) Web sites.
- Bring a soccer ball, a U.S. flag, and the den flag.
- Prepare permission slips for a visit to a mechanic's shop at den meeting #4.
- As advance preparation for den meeting #5, make arrangements for a field trip to work with an educator at a science museum or children's museum to complete the Scientist activity badge and Science belt loop requirements. Provide the educator with a copy of the requirements well in advance. Get the scientist's estimate on how long to schedule this meeting.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before each field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

REMINDER: Schedule a visit to a Boy Scout troop meeting or Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity (Arrow of Light Award requirement 4). After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #3

Sportsman activity badge (partial), Soccer belt loop, Handyman activity badge (partial)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a soccer ball, a U.S. flag, and the den flag.
- Research the rules of soccer. Check your local library and youth soccer leagues in your area for information and resources. Also see the U.S. Soccer Federation (www.us-soccer.com) and American Youth Soccer Organization (www.soccer.org) Web sites.
- Prepare permission slips for a visit to a mechanic's shop at den meeting #4.

Gathering:

- Snack.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Sportsman activity badge requirement:

4. Earn a Cub Scout Sports belt loop for soccer (a second team sport).
 - Explain the rules of soccer.
 - Practice soccer for 30 minutes.
 - Play a game of soccer.

Handyman activity badge requirement:

- 1c. The boys are to do a household task in their home for two weeks.

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter, informing parents that boys are to do a household task in their home for two weeks. (A sample family information letter can

be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

- Hand out permission slips for a visit to a mechanic's shop at den meeting #4.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #4, make arrangements to go to a mechanic's shop (or someone's home) to complete the Handyman activity badge requirements. This could be the leader's home or the denner's home.
- Have equipment ready to wash a car and to check the tire pressure on a car; have oil for a bicycle chain, a pump to inflate bicycle tires, and tools for making a repair on a bicycle (check the bicycle to be sure to have appropriate wrenches available); have a light bulb and a light fixture.
- Bring a U.S. flag, the den flag, and a thank-you card to be given to your host.
- Prepare permission slips for the science field trip at den meeting #5.

REMINDER: Schedule a visit to a Boy Scout troop meeting or a Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity (Arrow of Light Award requirement 4). After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #4

Handyman activity badge (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Make arrangements to go to someone's home (or a mechanic's shop) to complete the requirements. This could be the leader's home or the denner's home.
- Have car-washing equipment, car tire pressure gauge, oil for a bicycle chain, a pump to inflate bicycle tires, tools for making a repair on a bicycle, a light fixture, and a light bulb.
- Bring a U.S. flag, the den flag, and a thank-you card for your host.
- Prepare permission slips for the science field trip at den meeting #5.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips for this meeting as boys arrive.
- Complete the Responsibility Character Connection (see below) while eating snack.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Handyman activity badge requirements:

1. With your parent, guardian, or Webelos den leader, complete the Responsibility Character Connection.
 - a. **Know:** List all the tasks you can think of that are necessary in keeping a household in good shape. Name the tasks that are your responsibility. Tell what it means to be responsible for these tasks.
 - b. **Commit:** Talk about what happens when people don't do their jobs. Tell why it is important to be helpful and to be responsible. List ways that you can be more responsible on your own.
 - c. **Practice:** Choose one of the requirements and show how you are responsible by doing that task well for two weeks.
2. Wash the den leader's car.

5. Learn to check the oil level and tire pressure on a car.
6. Make a repair to a bicycle, such as tightening the chain, fixing a flat tire, or adjusting the seat or handlebars.
7. Properly lubricate the chain (and crank) on a bicycle.
8. Properly inflate the tires on a bicycle.
10. Replace a light bulb in a fixture or a lamp.

Closing:

- Thank the boys for washing your car and have all the boys sign a thank-you card for your host.
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Hand out permission slips for the science field trip at den meeting #5.

Webelos Scouts who have participated in den meeting #4 and fulfilled their household responsibilities for two weeks should now have earned the Handyman activity badge. This should be presented to qualifying Webelos Scouts at the next pack meeting.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #5, make arrangements for a field trip to work with an educator at a science museum, children's museum, or high school to complete the Scientist activity badge and Science belt loop. Confirm arrangements with the scientist/educator for working on the activity badge and belt loop requirements. Provide the educator with a copy of the requirements well in advance.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- If you do not have access to a museum, consider inviting a science teacher or parents who have science qualifications. The guest could be asked to discuss the scientific method. Also encourage the guest to come up with a few science experiments.
- Scientist activity badge requirements 1–3 could be incorporated into the den meeting with copies of Bernoulli's principle, Pascal's law, and Newton's first law of motion. Short experiments could be performed.
- Scientist activity badge requirement 10 on crystals (*Webelos Handbook* page 421) could be assigned, having jam jars available on the day of the meeting with craft sticks and string. While the scientific laws and principles are discussed and experiments are being performed, the water could be prepared with sugar. The Webelos Scout would take home the jar with plastic wrap over it secured with a rubber band.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Prepare permission slips for a hike at den meeting #6.

REMINDER: Schedule a visit to a Boy Scout troop meeting or Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity (Arrow of Light Award requirement 4). After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #5

Scientist activity badge (partial), Science belt loop

Preparation and materials needed:

- Make and confirm arrangements for a field trip to work with an educator at a science museum, children's museum, or high school to complete the Scientist activity badge and Science belt loop. Provide the educator with a copy of the requirements well in advance.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- If you do not have access to a museum, consider inviting a science teacher or parents who have science qualifications. The guest could be asked to discuss the scientific method. Also encourage the guest to come up with a few science experiments.
- Scientist activity badge requirements 1–3 could be incorporated into the den meeting with copies of Bernoulli's principle, Pascal's law, and Newton's first law of motion. Short experiments could be performed.

Note: Each boy should conduct the chosen experiment(s) on an individual basis, coming up with his own hypothesis before conducting the experiment. This is not intended to be a group project merely observed by the Webelos Scout.

- For Scientist activity badge requirement 10, have jam jars available at the meeting with craft sticks and string. While the scientific laws and principles are discussed and experiments are being performed, the water could be prepared with sugar. The Webelos Scout should take home the jar with plastic wrap over it secured with a rubber band, and bring the jar back at the next den meeting to show how big the crystals grew.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Prepare permission slips for a hike at den meeting #6.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips for this field trip as boys arrive.
- Snack, if allowed at the museum or field-trip location.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Scientist activity badge requirements (completed at science museum):

1. Read Bernoulli's principle. Show how it works.
2. Read Pascal's law. Tell about some inventions that use Pascal's law.
3. Read Newton's first law of motion. Show in three different ways how inertia works.
4. While you are a Webelos Scout, earn the Cub Scout Academics belt loop for Science (see below).
5. Show the effects of atmospheric pressure.
6. Show the effects of air pressure.
7. Show the effects of water pressure. This may be combined with atmospheric pressure or with air pressure.
9. Explain what causes fog. Show how this works.
10. Explain how crystals are formed. Make some.
11. Explain how you use your center of gravity to keep your balance. Show three different balancing tricks.
12. Show in three different ways how your eyes work together, and show what is meant by an optical illusion.

Science belt loop requirements:

- Explain the scientific method to your adult partner.
- Use the scientific method in a simple science project. Explain the results to an adult. (If you are unable to plan a simple science project that can be conducted during the den meeting, then assign this as work to be completed at home.)
- Visit a museum, a laboratory, an observatory, a zoo, an aquarium, or other facility that employs scientists. Talk to a scientist about his or her work.

Closing:

- Hand out family information letter. Include directions for growing crystals and explain that boys must report back at the next meeting. Ask parents to review with their Webelos Scouts requirement 2 for the Arrow of Light Award. Boys will be asked to demonstrate their knowledge during next week's hike. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Hand out permission slips for the hike at den meeting #6.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #6, identify a suitable trail for a day hike with the Webelos den.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the day hike.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring rope for tying the joining knot (Arrow of Light Award requirement 2).
- Prepare permission slips for a trip to the library at den meeting #7.

REMINDER: Schedule a visit to a Boy Scout troop meeting or Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity (Arrow of Light Award requirement 4). After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #6

Scientist activity badge (completion), Arrow of Light Award requirements 2 and 5

Preparation and materials needed:

- Identify a suitable trail for a day hike with the Webelos den.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the day hike. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring rope for tying the joining knot (Arrow of Light Award requirement 2).
- Prepare permission slips for a trip to the library at den meeting #7.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips for the day hike as boys arrive.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.
- Have boys report on crystal growth to complete the Scientist activity badge.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Arrow of Light Award requirements:

5. Take a day hike with the Webelos den. (Stop midway for a snack and water.)
2. While hiking, give each Webelos Scout the opportunity to demonstrate various requirements to become a Boy Scout. During a rest stop, have each Webelos Scout demonstrate tying the joining knot.

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter. Before the next den meeting, if possible, Webelos Scouts should complete Communicator activity badge requirement 11: Use a personal computer to write a letter. Boys should bring a copy of that letter to the next

den meeting. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

- Hand out permission slips for a trip to the library at den meeting #7.
- For boys who wish to complete the Sportsman activity badge, ask family members to choose an individual Sports belt loop to complete outside the den (other than Marbles, which will be completed as a den). Options include badminton, bicycling, bowling, fishing, golf, gymnastics, physical fitness, ice skating, roller skating, snow ski and board sports, swimming, table tennis, or tennis. Requirements for each may be found in the *Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #7, make arrangements to visit a community or school library. Check on the availability of computers.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip.
- Prepare handouts about sign language.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Prepare permission slips for a first aid field trip at den meeting #8.

Webelos Scouts who participated in den meeting #5 and reported on crystal growth should now have earned the Scientist activity badge and Science belt loop. These should be presented to qualifying Webelos Scouts at the next pack meeting.

Webelos Scouts who have earned the Aquanaut, Family Member, Handyman, and Scientist activity badges have now earned a second compass point. It should be presented to them at the next pack meeting.

REMINDER: By now you should have completed or scheduled a visit to a Boy Scout troop meeting or Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity (Arrow of Light Award requirement 4). After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #7

Communicator activity badge (partial), Computers belt loop (partial)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Make arrangements to visit a community or school library. Check on the availability of computers.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Prepare handouts about sign language.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Hand out permission slips for a first aid field trip at den meeting #8.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips for this library trip as boys arrive.
- Remind boys of appropriate behavior on this field trip.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.
- Check for completion of Communicator activity badge requirement 11.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Communicator activity badge requirements:

6. Visit a library and talk to a librarian. Learn how books are cataloged to make them easy to find. Sign up for a library card, if you don't already have one.
4. Identify and discuss with your den as many different methods of communication as you can (at least six different methods).
3. Invent a sign language or a picture writing language and use it to tell someone a story. (Distribute the sign language handout. Have Webelos Scouts invent their own sign language or picture writing language and use it to tell the den a story.)

11. (If unable to complete at home since the last den meeting:) Use a personal computer to write a letter to a friend or relative. Create your letter, check it for grammar and spelling, and save it to a disk. Print it.
14. While you are a Webelos Scout, earn the Academics belt loop for Computers.

Closing:

- Thank your host at the library.
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.) Outline assignments:
 - Under the supervision of a parent or trusted adult, each Webelos Scout shall search the Internet and connect to five Web sites that interest them (Communicator activity badge requirement 12).
 - Under the supervision of a parent or other trusted adult, exchange e-mail with a friend or relative (Communicator activity badge requirement 13).
 - Do the Computers belt loop requirements:
 - Explain the parts of a computer (CPU, monitor, keyboard, mouse, modem, and printer).
 - Start up and shut down a computer properly.
 - Use a computer to prepare and print a document.
 - Webelos Scouts should prepare a home fire-escape plan and bring it with them to the next den meeting (Readyman activity badge requirement 11).
- Hand out permission slips for a first aid field trip at den meeting #8.
- Remind parents that boys who wish to complete the Sportsman activity badge need to choose an individual Sports belt loop to earn outside the den (other than Marbles, which will be completed as a den). Options include badminton, bicycling, bowling, fishing, golf, gymnastics, physical fitness, ice skating, roller skating, snow ski and board sports, swimming, table tennis, or tennis. Requirements for each may be found in the *Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #8, contact your local council service center to ask if they offer a workshop for completing the Readyman activity badge. The American Red Cross may also be willing to conduct a workshop on the Readyman activity badge. There may be parents in your den who are qualified to work with the boys on these requirements.
- The Readyman activity badge requires three to four hours to complete. Advise parents of the date for this activity well in advance.
- If you are meeting at a location away from your regular meeting place, submit a Local Tour Permit Application two weeks in advance.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.

REMIND WEBELOS SCOUTS: After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout–oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #8

Communicator activity badge (completion), Computers belt loop (completion), Readyman activity badge (partial)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Contact your local council service center to ask if they offer a workshop for completing the Readyman activity badge. The American Red Cross may also be willing to conduct a workshop on the Readyman activity badge. There may be parents in your den who are qualified to work with the boys on these requirements.
- The Readyman activity badge requires three to four hours to complete. Advise parents of the date for this activity well in advance. Webelos Scouts should prepare a home fire-escape plan and bring it with them to the workshop (Readyman requirement 11).
- If you have the meeting at a location away from your regular meeting place, submit a Local Tour Permit Application two weeks in advance. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips as boys arrive.
- Collect den dues; record attendance.
- Verify completion of Communicator activity badge requirements 12 and 13, and the Computers belt loop requirements.
- Collect the home fire-escape plan from each boy (Readyman activity badge requirement 11).
- Check for completion of individual Sports belt loop requirements (Sportsman activity badge requirement 3).

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Readyman activity badge requirements:

1. With your parent, guardian, or Webelos den leader, complete the Courage Character Connection.
 - a. **Know:** Define the importance of each courage step: Be strong; Be calm; Be clear; Be careful. Explain how memorizing the courage steps help you to be ready.
 - b. **Commit:** Explain why it is hard to follow the courage steps in an emergency. Tell when you can use the courage steps in other situations (such as standing up to a bully, avoiding fights, being fair, not stealing or cheating when tempted, etc.).
 - c. **Practice:** Act out one of the requirements using these courage steps: Be strong; Be calm; Be clear; Be careful.
2. Explain what first aid is. Tell what you should do after an accident.
3. Explain how you can get help quickly if there is an emergency in your home. Make a "help list" of people or agencies that can help you if you need it. Post it near a phone or another place with easy access. (This will be completed at home. Leave some empty spaces to add phone numbers provided by parents or guardians.)
4. Demonstrate the Heimlich maneuver and tell when it is used.
5. Show what to do for these "hurry cases":
 - Serious bleeding
 - Stopped breathing
 - Internal poisoning
 - Heart attack
6. Show how to treat shock.
7. Show first aid for the following:
 - Cuts and scratches
 - Burns and scalds
 - Choking
 - Blisters on the hand and foot
 - Tick bites
 - Bites and stings of insects other than ticks
 - Poisonous snakebite
 - Nosebleed
 - Frostbite
 - Sunburn
8. Tell what steps must be taken for a safe swim with your Webelos den, pack, family, or other group. Explain the reasons for the buddy system.
11. Make a home fire escape plan for your family.
13. Tell where accidents are most likely to happen inside and around your home.

Closing:

- Thank workshop instructors.

- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.) The letter should include:
 - The emergency phone list should be completed and posted near a phone at home to complete Readyman requirement 3.
 - Remind parents that boys who wish to complete the Sportsman activity badge need to choose an individual Sports belt loop to earn outside the den (other than Marbles, which will be completed as a den). Options include badminton, bicycling, bowling, fishing, golf, gymnastics, physical fitness, ice skating, roller skating, snow ski and board sports, swimming, table tennis, or tennis. Requirements for each may be found in the *Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #9, research the rules of Ringer or another marbles game and be prepared to teach them to the Webelos Scouts.
- Bring a set of marbles for each Webelos Scout.
- Bring the U.S. flag and the den flag.

Webelos Scouts who participated in den meeting #7 and completed required assignments at home should now have earned the Communicator activity badge and the Computers belt loop. These should be presented to qualifying Webelos Scouts at the next pack meeting.

REMIND WEBELOS SCOUTS: After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #9

Sportsman activity badge (completion), Marbles belt loop, Readyman activity badge (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Research the rules of Ringer or another marbles game and be prepared to teach them to the Webelos Scouts.
- Bring a set of marbles for each Webelos Scout.
- Bring the U.S. flag and the den flag.

Gathering:

- Snack.
- Collect den dues; record attendance.
- Check for completion of the home assignment: posting an emergency phone list (Readyman requirement 3).
- Check for completion of individual Sports belt loop requirements (Sportsman requirement 3).

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Advancement:

Sportsman activity badge requirements:

3. While you are a Webelos Scout, earn Cub Scout Sports belt loops for two individual sports (marbles and one other).

Earn the Marbles belt loop:

- Explain the rules of Ringer or another marbles game to your leader or adult partner.
- Spend at least 30 minutes practicing skills to play a game of Ringer or another marbles game.
- Participate in a game of marbles.

Closing:

- Clean up.

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.) The letter should include:
 - Remind parents that boys who wish to complete the Sportsman activity badge need to choose an individual Sports belt loop to earn outside the den (other than Marbles, which was completed as a den). Options include badminton, bicycling, bowling, fishing, golf, gymnastics, physical fitness, ice skating, roller skating, snow ski and board sports, swimming, table tennis, or tennis. Requirements for each may be found in the *Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*.
 - Parents should also complete with their Webelos Scout requirement 7 for the Arrow of Light Award: the Honesty Character Connection. See the *Webelos Handbook* for details.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #10, have a plain wooden arrow with blue and yellow fletching (feathers) for each boy, colored electrical tape, and colored markers, each color symbolizing a different Cub Scout rank, badge, and achievement. A variety of colored tapes can be obtained from sign shops or auto supply shops.
- Bring records of all advancement and awards for each boy.
- Prepare permission slips for the visit to an ice cream shop at den meeting #11.

Webelos Scouts who participated in den meetings #2, #3, and #9 and completed requirements for an individual Sports belt loop at home should now have earned the Sportsman activity badge. The activity badge and the individual Sports belt loop should be presented to qualifying Webelos Scouts at the next pack meeting, along with the Marbles belt loop and the other team Sports belt loops (Ultimate and Soccer) earned.

REMIND WEBELOS SCOUTS: After visiting at least one Boy Scout troop meeting and one Boy Scout–oriented outdoor activity, each Webelos Scout should identify a Boy Scout troop that he thinks he might like to join, visit it with his parent or guardian, and have a conference with the Scoutmaster (Arrow of Light Award requirement 6).



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #10

Arrow of Light Award preparations

Preparation and materials needed:

- Have a plain wooden arrow with blue and yellow fletching (feathers) for each boy, colored electrical tape, and colored markers, each color symbolizing a different Cub Scout rank, badge, and achievement. A variety of colored tapes can be obtained from sign shops or auto supply shops.
- Bring records of all advancement and awards for each boy.
- Prepare permission slips for the visit to an ice cream shop at den meeting #11.

Gathering:

- Snack.
- Collect den dues.
- Record attendance.
- Check for completion of individual Sports belt loop requirements (Sportsman activity badge requirement 3).
- Check for completion of Arrow of Light Award requirement 7.

Opening ceremony:

- A Webelos Scout should plan and lead the flag ceremony.
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Scout Oath, and/or Scout Law.

Activity:

Webelos Scouts decorate their arrows for the Arrow of Light Award ceremony. Based on a record of what each boy has completed during his years in Cub Scouting, have him work from one end of the arrow to the other, applying stripes to symbolize his accomplishments. Use electrical tape and markers to make the stripes.

Closing:

- Clean up.
- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

- Hand out permission slips for the visit to an ice cream shop at den meeting #11.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #11, take a trip to an ice cream shop to reward yearlong good behavior.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)



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Fifth-Grade Webelos Den Meeting #11

Enjoy a trip to an ice cream shop to reward yearlong good behavior.

- Collect permission slips as boys arrive.

Boys who have completed the requirements for the Arrow of Light Award, the highest Cub Scout rank, should receive recognition at the blue and gold banquet or at a special ceremony.

To be eligible for the Arrow of Light Award, a boy must be six months beyond his 10th birthday or six months beyond completion of the fourth grade.