



5th Grade Webelos Scouts



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).