

Cub Scout Den Meeting Outline

Month: **October**

Week: **1**

Point of the Scout Law: **Loyal**

	Tiger	Wolf	Bear	Webelos	Arrow of Light
Before the Meeting	Gather materials for gathering and other activities, games and have home assignments (if any) ready.	Gather materials for gathering and other activities, games and have home assignments (if any) ready.	Gather materials for gathering and other activities, games and have home assignments (if any) ready.	Gather materials for gathering and other activities, games and have home assignments (if any) ready.	Gather materials for gathering and other activities, games and have home assignments (if any) ready.
Gathering	Color the Flag				
Opening	Our Flag Opening				
Activities/Project	Den Duties; Match the Meaning Game; Flag Displaying and Folding				
Game/Song	Steal the Bacon				
Business items/Take home	None	None	Paws for Action 1	None	None
Closing	Respect the Flag Closing				
After the meeting					

Materials:

Gathering: copies of flag sheets, red, white and blue crayons/markers, scissors

Opening: flag, opening cards

Project/Activity: large sheets of paper for writing den duties, scissors, Match the Meaning word strips, flags from gathering activity, flag to fold or towel to fold

Game/Song: None

Closing: word strips

Home assignments: See home assignment sheets in extra material.

Advancement:

Tiger - Team Tiger 2

Wolf – Council Fire 1, 6

Bear – Paws for Action 1

Arrow of Light – Building a Better World 1

Color the Flag

Materials:

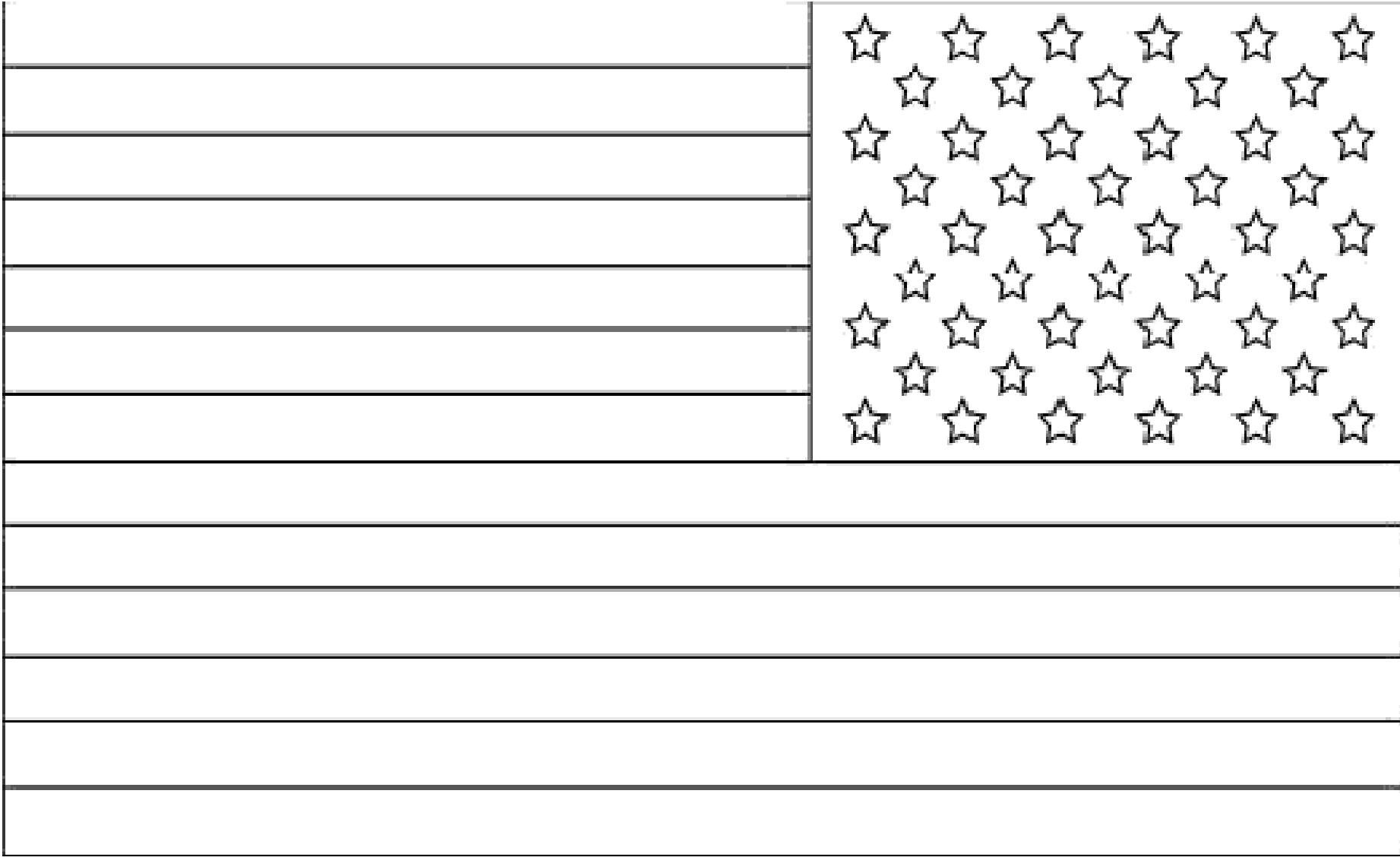
Copies of flag to color and fold for everyone (flags need to be copied front to back)

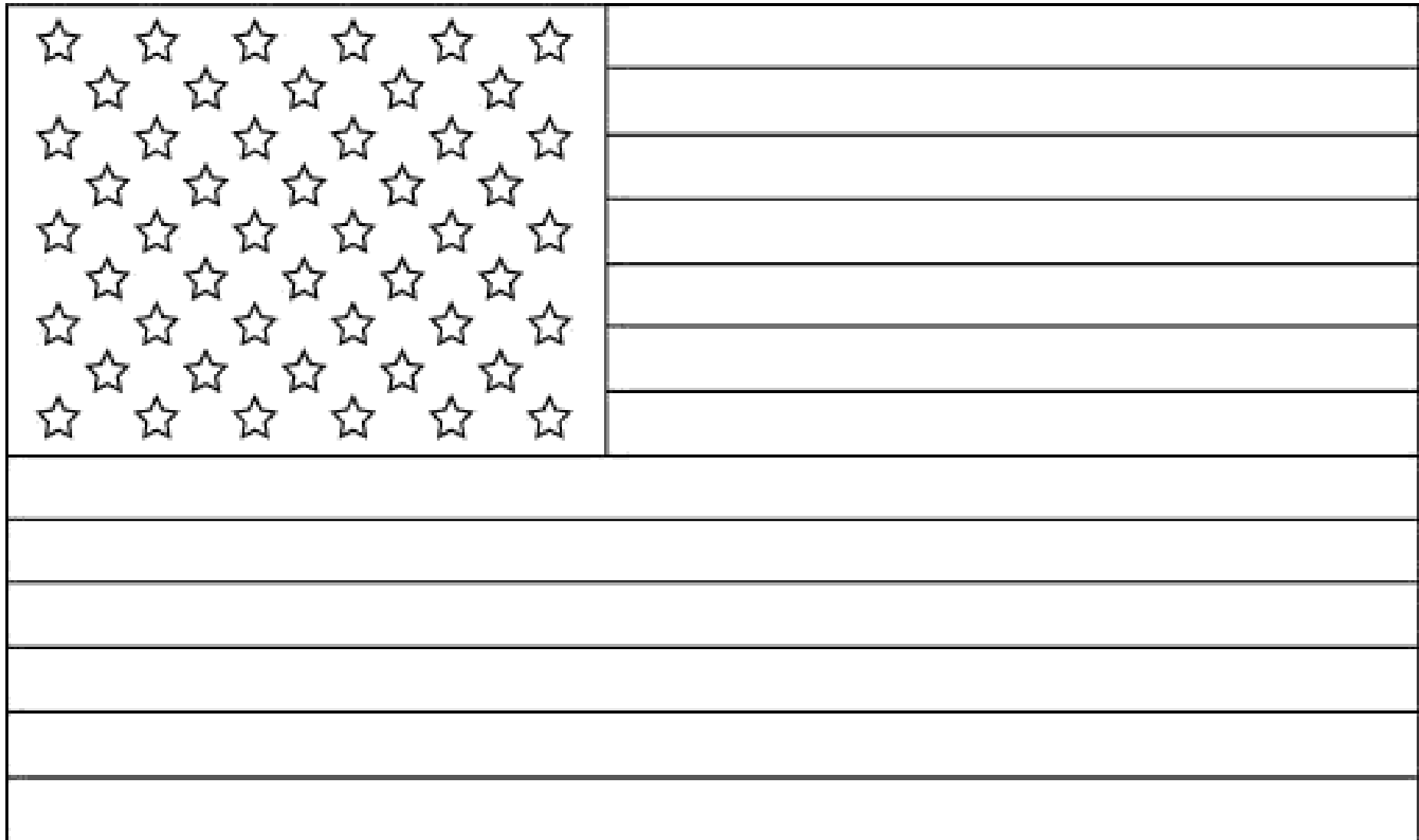
Crayons, markers, etc

Scissors

Coloring: (Done during gathering activity)

1. Have the Cub Scouts color both sides of their flag. Explain to them that the stripes are red and white – with a red stripe on the top and on the bottom of the flag. While they are coloring, ask them if they know why there are thirteen stripes on our flag.
2. Once they have finished coloring both sides of their flag, have the Cub Scouts cut out the flag – close to the edges of the flag. They need to cut out the flag to make it easier to fold.





Our Flag Opening

Materials:

Six Webelos Scouts working on their Arrow of Light Award
Six cards with sentences to read about the history of our flag



Cubmaster or Den leader:

We have had many flags fly over our country over the years.
Let's learn about them now.

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Webelos Scout #2: This is the Grand Union Flag. George Washington flew this flag in 1776, the year that the American Revolution began.

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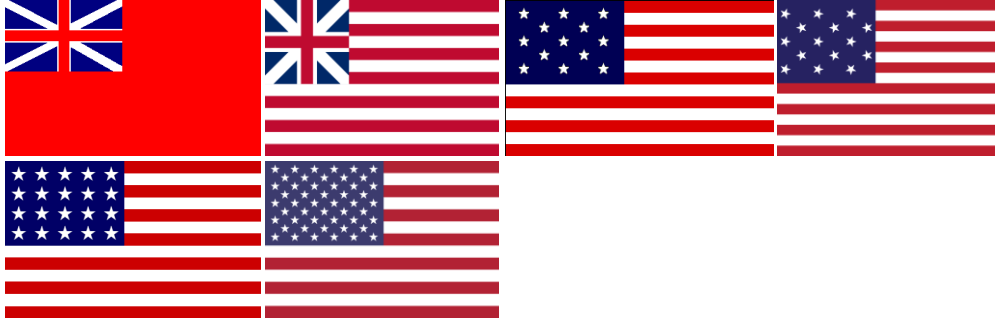
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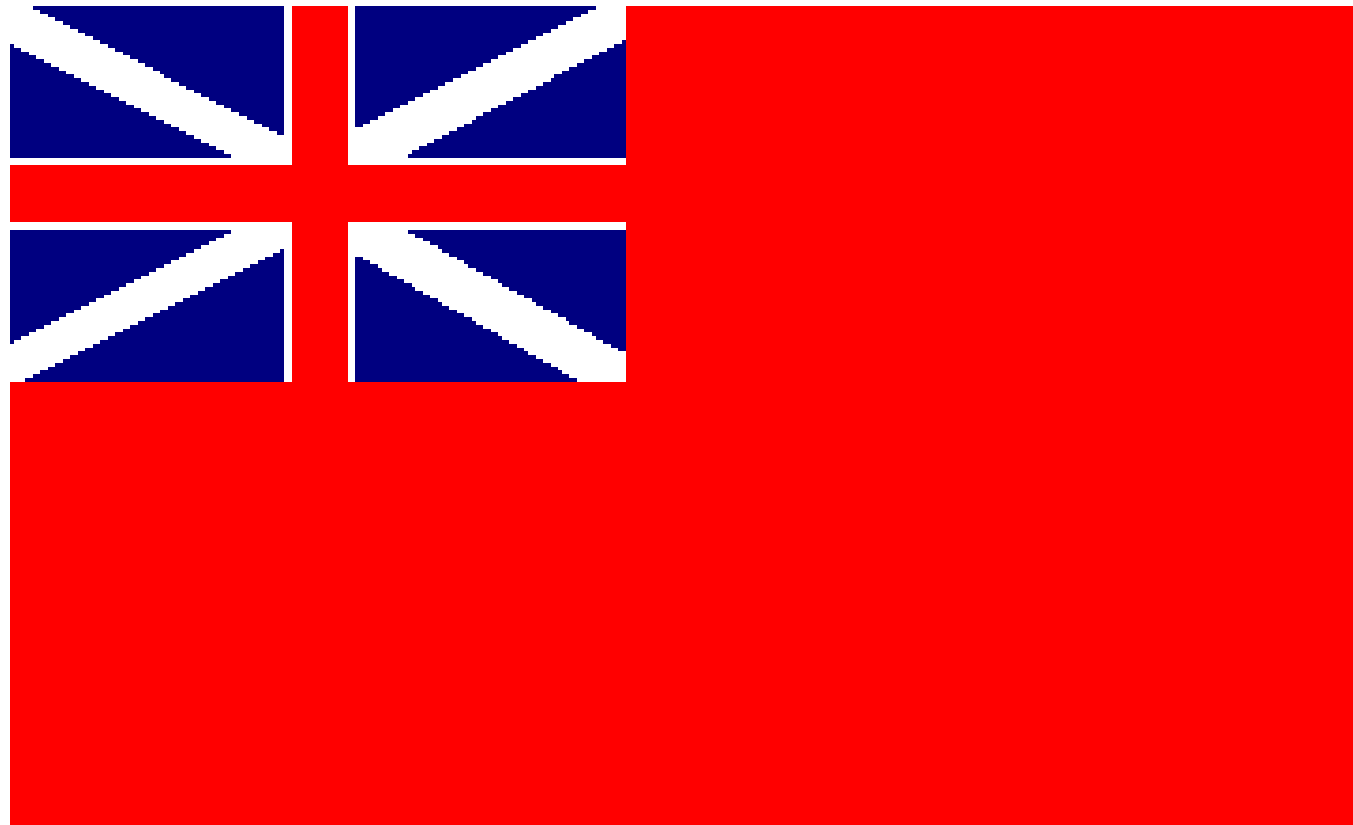
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Webelos Scout #6: This is our flag today. It has 50 stars and 13 stripes. The most recent stars were added in 1959 – for Alaska – and 1960 – for Hawaii. This version of the flag has been in use longer than any other version in our history.

Cubmaster or Den leader:

Let's all stand and salute and say the Pledge of Allegiance to this great flag that represents our country.

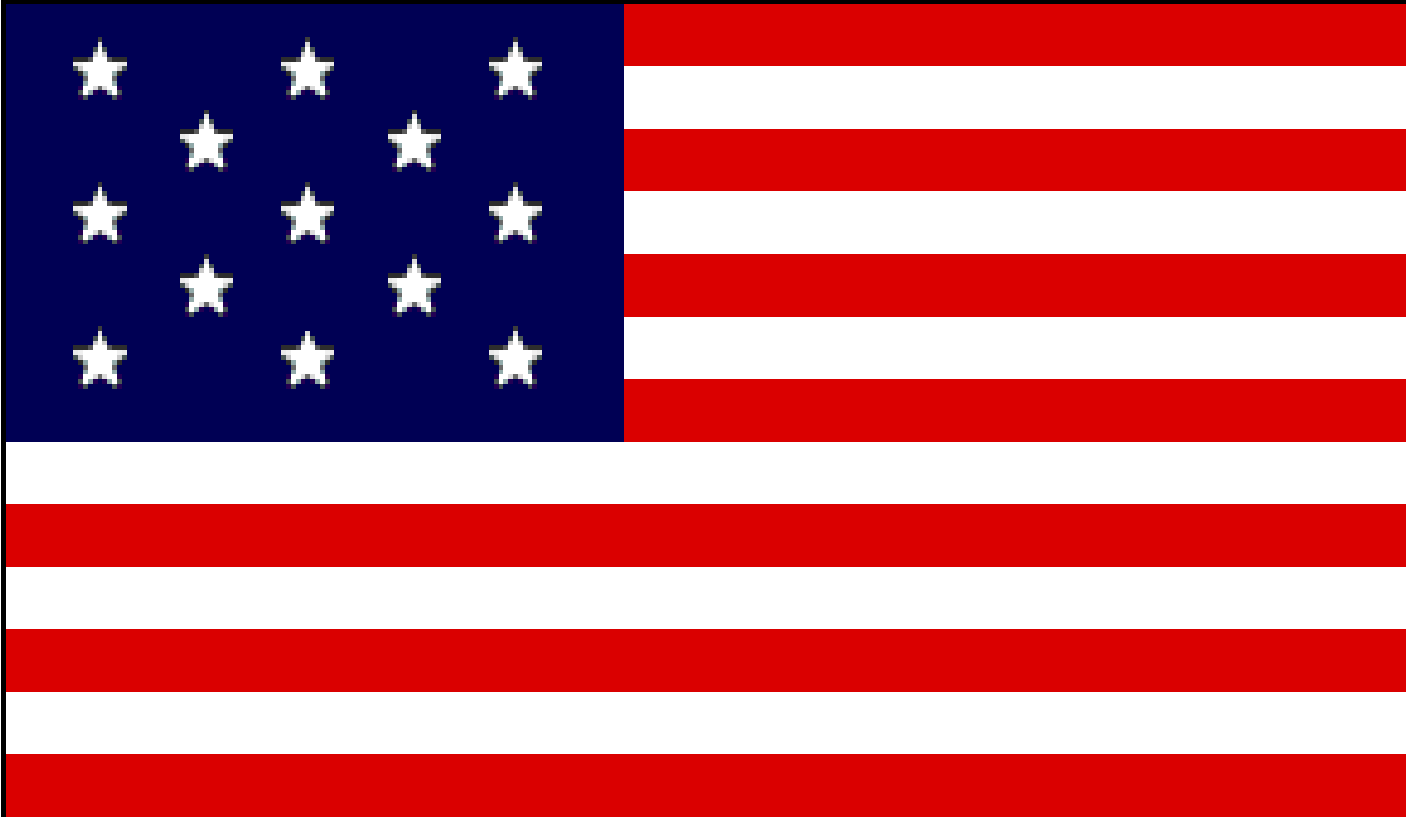




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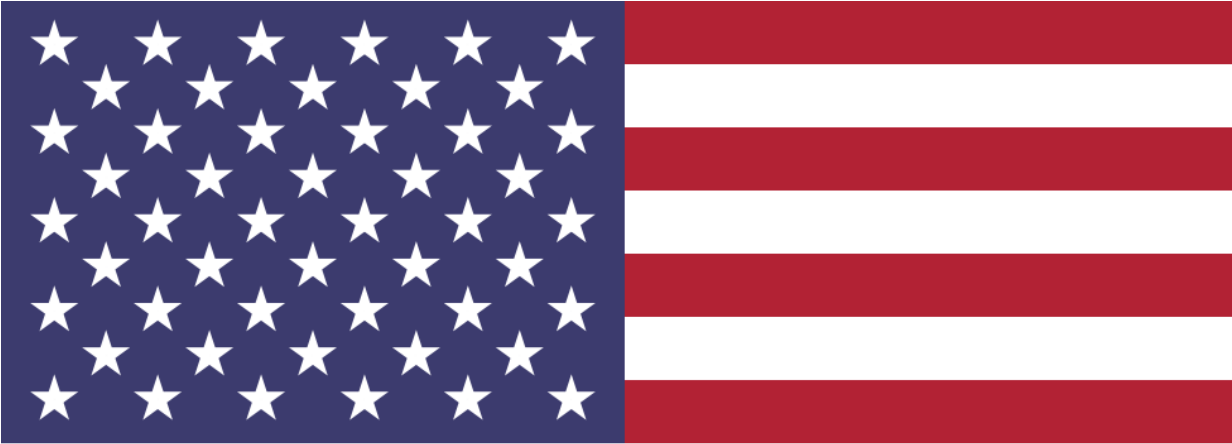
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Den Duties

Materials:

Paper (for writing down duties in each den),
markers

Cubmaster or Den leader:

Each den (Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light) has jobs or duties that need to be done each time that we meet.

What might some of these jobs be?

[Some suggestions: pass out supplies, move tables or chairs, lead an opening or closing ceremony, clean up any mess made during the meeting, etc. For the Tiger den, one of these jobs needs to be to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.]

[For especially the Tiger and Wolf dens, assign specific people to duties or jobs in the den. The Wolf den will have to do duties for a month – for adventure requirement completions. Tigers need to each rotate having a turn at leading the Pledge of Allegiance.]



Match the Meaning Game

Materials:

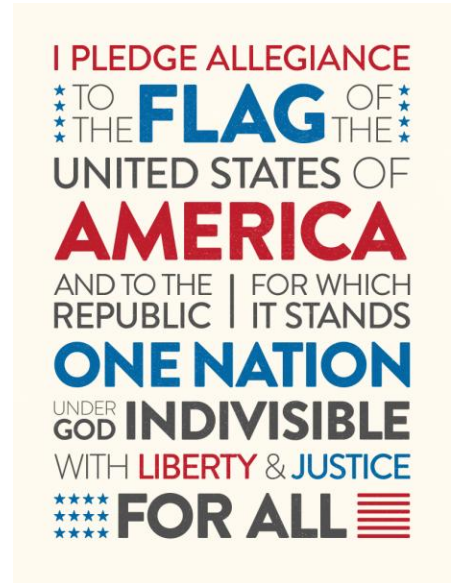
Pledge match word strips – cut for each group of 8-10 Cub Scouts (2 pages – each page needs to be printed on a different color paper)

Scissors

Envelope for each group (to keep the word/phrase strips)

Instructions:

1. Give each group of Cub Scout the 2 pages (1 of each color) and scissors. Have the group cut out the words and phrases. (You may have to demonstrate.)
2. There is a match for each phrase or word from the Pledge of Allegiance to another word or phrase on the different colored paper.
3. See how long it takes for each group to match the “Pledge” words and phrases with the “Meaning” words and phrases.
4. When all groups have finished matching, go over the matches and review together the simple meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance.



Respect the Flag Closing Word Strips

Webelos Scout #1: How do we show respect to the flag of the United States of America?

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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

Me

A Promise

To Be True

Material that is a Symbol

Our Country

Our Kind of Government

A Country

Person We Worship

Cannot be divided into smaller pieces

Freedom

Fair and Right

Everyone

Displaying and Folding the Flag Activity

Materials:

Colored flag done during the earlier gathering activity

Real flag or towel to fold (optional)

Displaying the flag:

1. Have each Cub Scout open their flag so that it looks like the following as you talk about it:



When we display the flag horizontally the blue field of stars should be in top left corner.

When we display the vertically, the blue field of stars should be in the top left corner.



When the flag is on a pole at the front of a room where a speaker is speaking, the flag is displayed at the speaker's right (or, as you look at the podium, at the left side).



Folding the Flag:

1. Lay the paper flag you colored down flat on the table.

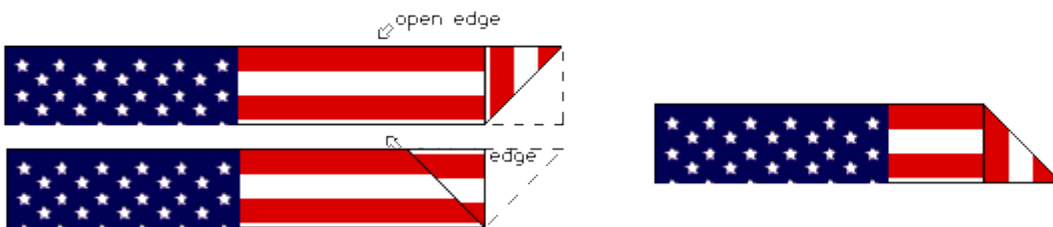
2. Fold the flag down the middle the long direction (hot dog style) – matching corners so that you can barely see the blue field with the stars.



3. Fold the flag in half again down the middle the long direction. You can see some of the stars now.



4. Starting at the end of the flag without stars, fold in a triangle by bringing the striped corner of the folded edge to meet the open (top) edge of the flag.



5. Continue folding the flag as a triangle until no stripes are showing. Tuck the end of the flag into the triangle as well.



6. If you have a real flag or a towel the size of a real flag, demonstrate with help of a Cub Scout how to fold a flag. Let those who would like to practice folding the flag or towel.

Steal the Bacon

Materials:

Some object to take – shoe, stuffed animal, rolled up newspaper, etc

Instructions

Divide Cub Scouts into two teams. Each team sits across from each other on a boundary line.

Once each team is lined up, give each player on each team number, each group should have a one, a two, etc.

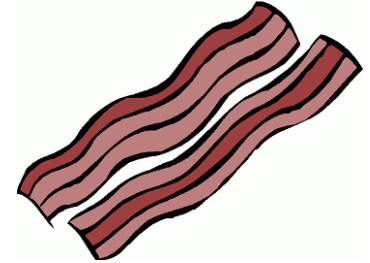
Place the "bacon" in the center of the playing area and assign each team one goal line to cross at either end of the playing area.

The leader calls out a number and all Cub Scouts with that number run to pick up the "bacon."

The person who gets the "bacon" first tries to run across his team's goal line without being tagged. The person whose number was called who did not get the pick up the "bacon" should try to tag the other player before they get across the goal line.

Once someone is tagged or gets across their goal line, the round is over. Players go back to the boundary line with their teams and a new number is called and the game continues.

When a team crosses the goal line with the "bacon" gets a point. The team to reach 5 points (you can change the amount of points) wins the game.



Respect the Flag Closing



This is written to include Webelos Scouts that are working on the Building a Better World Adventure.

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