

PACK RESOURCE SHEET

June 2011

CORE VALUE FOR JUNE

Perseverance: Sticking with something and not giving up, even if it is difficult. Through participating in activities such as a bicycle rodeo, Cub Scouts learn the importance of practice and perseverance to improve new skills.

Preopening Activity: Paper Boy

Materials: Assorted color paper, rolled newspapers, one bicycle.

Preparation: Scatter the color papers on the ground to represent porches on a neighborhood street. Place the bicycle 10 to 15 feet away.

As people arrive, have each person sit on the bicycle and try to throw a rolled newspaper onto each "porch." Recognize those who cover the most porches with newspapers. Then, recognize the others with a cheer for their effort and perseverance.

Opening Ceremony: Perseverance

Materials: Twelve large cards with the letters to spell out "perseverance" on one side and script on the other.

Personnel: Cubmaster and 12 Cub Scouts.

CUBMASTER: Perseverance is sticking with something and not giving up, even if it is difficult.

CUB SCOUT 1: P is for persistence. Keep trying.

CUB SCOUT 2: E is for education. Learn new things.

CUB SCOUT 3: R is for resourcefulness. Be creative.

CUB SCOUT 4: S is for strength. Stay physically fit.

CUB SCOUT 5: E is for effort. Do your best.

CUB SCOUT 6: V is for values. Help others.

CUB SCOUT 7: E is for energy. Get up and go!

CUB SCOUT 8: R is for reliability. Be dependable.

CUB SCOUT 9: A is for attitude. Stay positive.

CUB SCOUT 10: N is for nature. Protect the environment.

CUB SCOUT 11: C is for character. Be a good citizen.

CUB SCOUT 12: E is for enthusiasm. Put your heart into your work.

Cheer: Bicycle Cheer

"Left Turn" (*Hand signal for left turn.*)

"Right Turn" (*Hand signal for right turn.*)

"Stop" (*Hand signal for stop.*)

"GO!" (*Pretend to pedal the bike as fast as you can, stomping your feet loudly.*)

Recognition Ceremony: Leader Training Award

CUBMASTER or COMMITTEE CHAIR: There are many special people in our pack. All of our Cub Scouts are special. And we have den leaders, committee members, and parents and family members. Tonight, I would like to recognize one of our special leaders. This leader has completed the requirements for the (name of the leader recognition award). The requirements for this award are not easy. You need special dedication to complete them.

The leader training awards are presented by the council, and this leader has been presented with a certificate and a special square knot to wear on the uniform. Will (*name of the leader*) please come forward? We want you to know that we appreciate all the time and effort that you have put forth. You are helping shape these boys' lives and building the leaders of tomorrow. Congratulations, and thank you for your commitment, dedication, and perseverance.

Recognition Ceremony: U Are Important

This is an adult recognition ceremony by Cub Scouts.

Arrangement: Each Cub Scout holds up a sign with his word(s) on it, with the U missing from the word.

CUB SCOUT 1 (C B S C O T S): We cannot spell Cub Scouts without U.

CUB SCOUT 2 (Y O T H): We cannot spell youth without U.

CUB SCOUT 3 (A D V E N T R E): We cannot spell adventure without U.

CUB SCOUT 4 (S U C C E S S): We cannot spell success without U.

CUB SCOUT 5 (F U N): We cannot spell fun without U.

CUB SCOUT 6 (O U T D O O R S): We cannot spell outdoors without U.

ALL: Clearly, our pack needs U! Thank you!

Recognition Ceremony: Adult Thank-You Awards

Make certificates of appreciation with items and sayings printed on them. For the items, use clip art, scanned photos, or boys' drawings. Write the saying on a card and attach it to the item.

Glove: "Thank you for your helping hand."

Two-liter bottle: "You do the work of two leaders!"

Framed picture: "Thank you for doing a picture-perfect job."

Popcorn: "Thank you for popping up fresh ideas!"

Yardstick or ruler: "Thank you for immeasurable service."

Globe: "We think the world of you!"

Heart: "You are all heart. Thank you!"

Heart (felt cutout): "You have our heartfelt thanks."

Pitcher: "Thanks for pitching in."

Soup can: "You did a 'souper' job. Thank you!"

Compass: "Thank you for leading the way."

Candle: "For someone who really lights up our pack. Thank you." Or, "For your warm glow."

Mint candy: "You are worth a mint to our pack. Thank you for your commit-mint."

Glitter: "You put sparkle in our pack (*or program, in our boys' eyes, etc.*) Thank you!"

Bubbles: "For your bubbly personality."

Cubmaster's Minute: Perseverance

"Remember our Core Value for this month: perseverance. It means, 'Don't give up.' Whether you're trying to learn a new skill or improve a skill, it can be difficult. It may require lots of practice. Sometimes you get discouraged and may want to give up. But don't give up. Keep doing your best. Show your perseverance by sticking with it, even if it is difficult. You will find it will lead to personal achievement and a real sense of satisfaction in knowing that you did your very best."

Closing Ceremony: Safety

Materials: Six large cards with the letters to spell out "safety" on one side and the script on the other.

Personnel: Cubmaster and six Cub Scouts.

CUBMASTER: Today, we have learned the importance of perseverance, practice, and safety.

CUB SCOUT 1: S is for safety. Learn and follow the rules.

CUB SCOUT 2: A is for armor. Wear proper safety gear.

CUB SCOUT 3: F is for friends. Work with a buddy.

CUB SCOUT 4: E is for eagerness. Have a good attitude.

CUB SCOUT 5: T is for trying. Keep trying; don't give up.

CUB SCOUT 6: Y is for yes. Commit to safe practices and persevere.

Game: Bicycle Safety

This is a follow-the-leader game and does not use bicycles. Each den stands in a straight line behind its den leader or den chief and about a foot or less apart. Each leader silently leads his or her group, making at least one left turn and one right turn. The course does not have to be long or complex. Then the leaders stop with no signals.

See how many boys can follow the leader and stop without running into the person in front of them. Discuss with the dens why there were "accidents." Talk about using hand signals and the proper following distance. Run the course again using hand signals and proper distance. End the game with the Bicycle Cheer (page 57).

Game: Perseverance

Make a crooked loop course marked with cones or rope on the floor. Relay teams—with a stick for each team—push an object around the course. The boys must push the objects and not hit them with the stick. The harder the object is to control, the better, but it has to be doable. Use spoons, two-liter bottles, balloons, or plastic eggs. As a variation, use pieces of cardboard instead of sticks, and blow the object around the course.

Character Connection: Perseverance

After the game, ask the boys how they did. Some of them had a more difficult time than others. Was it easy? Did you feel like quitting? Do you know what perseverance is? Why was it important not to give up on the game? Can you say that you persevere at things? How will

you persevere at things this week at school and home?

See *Fun for the Family*, No. 33012, for family activities related to this month's Core Value, perseverance.

Snack: Sunshine Salad

Ingredients:

½ carton plain yogurt

1 tsp honey

1 slice of pineapple (fresh or canned) per serving

Mix the yogurt and honey. In each individual dish, place one slice of pineapple. Put one tablespoon of yogurt mixture in the middle. Eat the sunshine!

Note: Be aware of food allergies and diet restrictions

Activity: Safe Bicycle Riding True or False Quiz

1. Bicycles should be ridden on the right-hand side of the street.
2. Bicycle riders should obey all traffic signs and signals.
3. Stop signs are round in shape.
4. Pedestrians have the right-of-way on sidewalks and crosswalks.
5. Bicycles should be "walked" across busy intersections.
6. The signal for a right turn is stretching the right arm straight out.
7. Riding a bicycle at night without a front light or rear reflector is unsafe.
8. It's safe for a bicycle rider to carry a passenger.
9. You don't have to stop at a stop sign if there is no traffic.
10. Hitching a ride on another vehicle is safe if the driver is careful.
11. Bicycle riders should give a hand signal before making a turn or stopping on the street.
12. It's safe to ride a bicycle that is in poor condition if you are a good rider.
13. If you're riding bicycles with friends, you should travel in a single file.
14. Your chain should be loose enough to slip off easily.
15. It's OK to ride a bicycle in either direction on a one-way street.
16. It's not safe to pass another bicycle on the right.
17. Even a good rider should "walk" his bicycle through heavy traffic.
18. The faster you ride, the safer it is.
19. Bicycle riders should stay at least 3 feet away from parked cars.
20. If you don't ride on busy streets, you don't need a horn or bell.

Answers: 1. True; 2. True; 3. False; they have eight sides. Railroad crossing signs are round; 4. True; 5. True; 6. False; it's extending the left arm with the forearm raised and the palm of the hand facing forward; 7. True; 8. False; 9. False; 10. False; 11. True; 12. False; 13. True; 14. False; 15. False; 16. True; 17. True; 18. False; 19. True; 20. False.

Did You Know?

Service Stars. Service stars may be worn by all youth and adult members who have at least one year of tenure with the Boy Scouts of America. The stars are worn with the appropriate background color for the phase of Scouting in which the service was rendered. If an individual's primary registration is in one phase of Scouting and later in another, separate stars with the appropriate background and numerals may be worn simultaneously. Or, leaders may combine youth and adult tenure into one or two stars with blue background. Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts wear stars with a gold background, centered three-eighths of an inch above the left shirt pocket.