



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting A

Collecting and Other Hobbies

Elective 16.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Encourage Tiger Cubs to participate in your pack's summertime activities, such as marching in parades, going to a ball game, having a campfire and marshmallow roast, and participating in Cub Scout day camp. Boys may be able to earn the National Summertime Pack Award pin by participating in events.
- ▶ It is recommended that the den (now a Wolf Cub Scout den!) plan an activity or outing at least once a month during the summer so that the den will qualify for the National Den Award. (The National Den Award requirements and application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms.)
- ▶ Ask the Tiger Cubs and their adult partners to be prepared to show or tell about each boy's hobby or collection (such as sport cards, coins, rocks, fossils, arrowheads, star wars items, autographs, patches, TV or movie posters, stamps).
- ▶ Adult partners might also bring collections, so long as they don't eclipse attention on the Tiger Cubs (this would just be to get the Tiger Cubs excited about collecting).
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - If you've got something interesting to share, you can bring your collection too.
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 16** ("With your den, show or tell about something you like to collect, OR tell your den about a favorite hobby or activity"):
 - Allow each Tiger Cub to show and tell his collection. Tiger Cubs who don't have a collection should tell about their favorite hobby or activity. (Prompt the shy to describe the most fun thing they've ever done.)
 - Be sure that adult partners have prepared each Tiger Cub for this, and that everyone (including adult partners) pays attention to the Tiger Cubs.
 - Adult partners briefly showing their (interesting) collections could be useful to set the example.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.





Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting B

Make a Model, Part 1

Elective 17.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ These den meetings can be held in advance of your pack's annual pinewood derby. If you're doing this meeting after your pinewood derby, then find something else fun and interesting to build.
- ▶ Ideally, make arrangements for your den to take a Go See It to a parent's house that has a good (and safe) area for woodworking. A local hardware store may be willing to assist you for this work.
- ▶ **Note:** Power tools are not appropriate for use by Cub Scouts. (See age-appropriate guidelines for Scouting activities at www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/Resources/AgeAppropriateGuidelines.)
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Pinewood derby car kit for each boy. These can be purchased at your local Scout shop.
 - Bring the rules for your derby about how your cars are to be built.
 - Saws, hammers, wood rasps, drills, weight inserts (washers, fishing weights or other), sandpaper, paint, decals, and smocks. A good scale to weigh the cars is very useful.
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Explain the upcoming pinewood derby, what you know of the participation and competition rules, and how you'll go about making the cars today. Outline all safety ground rules for your location and attendees.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 17** ("Make a model."): Build pinewood derby cars with each Tiger Cub.
 - It will likely take two or more meetings to make the pinewood derby car.



Want More Fun in Your Activities?

Focus first on fun designs: Have each Scout use his imagination about what he wants his car to look like. Encourage all to be creative. You may not have the fastest car, but can you have the coolest design?

Here are some crazy ideas:

Coke bottle	Bath tub
Skateboard	Cell phone
Game Boy	Camera
Laptop	Pencil
Computer mouse	Pickup truck
Cockroach	Hot dog
Watermelon	Shark
Tank	Computer
Gift wrapped	Beaver on a log
iPod	Banana
Burrito	Rat
Train engine	Ambulance
School bus	Dragster rocket
Boat	Cheese wedge
Fish	Batmobile
Fire truck	Zamboni

- Start by cutting and sanding the block of wood.
 - The den leader may wish to hold all of the wheels and axles until the second meeting. The cars can be painted at the next meeting. Apply decals when the paint is dry.
 - The Cub Scout and adult should make the car together as a project. Don't let the Tiger Cub just stand around while the adult cuts and sands, and does all the work. Parents should shape with tools, power tools, or whatever (let the Scout help as he can on the rasping and sanding), and then direct the rest of the action while showing the boy each step in building a car. Let your Scout work to his ability.
 - Den leaders: Watch carefully, and be sure that adult partners don't get carried away with this project and leave out their Tiger Cubs in the process. If this is a risk, you might suggest to your pack that they have an adult division so that the adult partners can have a way to participate while allowing their Tiger Cubs to really make their own cars.
- ▶ Watch this meeting carefully, because you'll probably need some breaks. Be sure to mix in brief games and songs (serious or silly) to change the pace of the meeting because Tigers have short attention spans. You and they will have more fun and focus better if you mix it up.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

- ▶ **Home Assignment: Elective 17:** With adult partner or family member, continue to work on pinewood derby model.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.
- ▶ See Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting B for the details.
- ▶ Ideally, all Tiger Cubs have completed the rough assembly of the car kits, and so no sawing or shaping will be needed, but if some need to catch up, you may need all of those materials again for this meeting.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting C

Make a Model, Part 2

Elective 17.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Pinewood derby car kits in process for each boy.
 - Bring the rules for your derby about how your cars are to be built.
 - Saws, hammers, wood rasps, drills, weight inserts (washers, fishing weights, or other), sandpaper, paint, decals, smocks. A good scale to weigh the cars is very useful.
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Review the upcoming pinewood derby, what you know of the participation and competition rules, and how you'll go about making the cars today. Outline all safety ground rules for your location and attendees.
- ▶ This would be a good time for each Tiger Cub to show his car in process and describe how he is going to finish the car and complete the design.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 17** ("Make a model."): Build pinewood derby cars with each Tiger Cub.
 - Ideally, today is decoration and completion day, so there should be less need for adult partners to make the cars, and more opportunity for adult partners to assist and coach the Scouts on their painting, gluing, stickers, and design elements.
 - Den leaders: Watch carefully, and be sure that adult partners don't get carried away with this project and leave out their Tiger Cubs in the process. If this is a risk, you might suggest to your pack that they have an adult division so the adult partners can have a way to participate while allowing their Tiger Cubs to really make their own cars.
- ▶ Watch this meeting carefully, because you'll probably need some breaks. Be sure to mix in brief games and songs (serious or silly) to change the pace of the meeting because Tigers have short attention spans. You and they will have more fun and focus better if you mix it up.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.





Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting D

Go See It: Visit a Bakery

Elective 45.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Make arrangements for your den to take a Go See It to a bakery and to use some space while there for your den meeting business. You may visit a small local bakery or a large baking company. Some large grocery stores bake their own goods. Or use a parent who is a baker, and do the Go See It to that person's kitchen.
 - Be sure your host knows how long you need to have someone make the presentation, and that you've confirmed what can or should be covered that would be interesting and fun for Tiger Cubs.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Arrange for the host to have supplies for baking something as part of the presentation.
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

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Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Remind the boys of appropriate behavior, including safety considerations, at the site of your visit.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 45** ("Visit a bakery."):
 - ▶ Have the baker host show the bakery, tools, and items being baked.
 - ▶ Ideally, have the baker host allow the Tiger Cubs to make something that can be baked and eaten at the end of the meeting, or taken home for families to enjoy.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting E

Get the Word Out

Elective 20.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Consider what ideas you might want to salt the meeting with if the Tiger Cubs don't quickly come up with a good "public service announcement" skit about Cub Scouting.
 - You might search the Internet for ideas about similar skits, because many leaders have posted ideas or would be willing to provide suggestions.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Paper and pencils for each Tiger Cub to write his part for the script for the Tiger Cub public service announcement skit.
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem
 - (Optional) If you or the adult partners want to add some creativity to this, you might bring some materials that could be costumes or supplies for backdrops or items used in the skits.

Before the Meeting

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Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 20** ("With your den, make up a PSA (public service announcement) skit to tell people about Tiger Cubs."):
 - Ask the Tiger Cubs what a public service announcement is, and, as needed, explain what it is.
 - Have them create a public service announcement-type skit to tell people about Tiger Cubs.
 - In the skit, tell why you like Tiger Cubs and why others should join, too. You might reenact some of the fun activities your den has participated in to show the audience why Tiger Cubs is fun.
 - This skit can be presented at a pack meeting or at a recruitment event for new Tiger Cubs.
- ▶ Allow the Tiger Cubs to practice the skit to see what elements work and are interesting.
 - Let as many Tiger Cubs as have ideas show them so all ideas can be considered and the best pieces used in the PSA skit.
- ▶ Especially if and when the Tiger Cubs hit "writer's block," be sure to mix in brief games and songs (serious or silly) to change the pace of the meeting. Tiger Cubs have short attention spans, and you and they will have more fun and focus better if you mix it up.

Supplemental Den Meeting E



Closing

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- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting F

Magic Fun
Elective 19.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Review the *Cub Scout Magic Book*, No. 33210, for additional tricks that Tiger Cubs and Adult Partners might want to try out at this meeting.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - A dollar bill for each boy
 - Two paper clips per boy
 - Balloons (at least one per boy)
 - Clear cellophane tape
 - Straight pins
 - *Cub Scout Magic Book* and any materials for additional tricks you want to accomplish
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

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Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
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Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 19** ("Learn a magic trick and show it to your family or den."):
 - Learn the Magic Jumping Paper Clips magic trick, as shown in the *Tiger Cub Handbook*, page 106.
 - Learn the Magic Unbreakable Balloon magic trick, as shown in the *Tiger Cub Handbook*, page 106.
 - Keep practicing the tricks until they look like magic.
- ▶ If you have selected any other tricks from the *Cub Scout Magic Book*, teach and practice those.
- ▶ Especially if there is frustration in being able to show these tricks, be sure to mix in brief games and songs (serious or silly) to change the pace of the meeting. Tiger Cubs have short attention spans, and you and they will have more fun and focus better if you mix it up.
- ▶ After they master the tricks and at the very end of the meeting, turn it into a magic show.
 - You might prep one of the Tiger Cubs to be the MC or enlist an adult partner to do that with a Tiger Cub, announcing each act and getting volunteers from the audience (any parents in attendance).
 - Have the boys do the tricks they are best able to do, but be sure that each does a trick.

Supplemental Den Meeting F



- ▶ The den could also perform at a pack meeting, if that is consistent with the pack program. This meeting would be a rehearsal for the pack meeting.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting G

Picnic Fun, Snack Time, Safety in the Sun, and Fun Outdoors

Elective 22. Elective 25. Elective 29. Elective 35.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Well in advance, select a date, time, and location for your picnic and inform the den. If needed because of weather, you can picnic indoors.
- ▶ With the families of the boys in the den, decide who will bring what food and picnic supplies.
 - Determine what sort of games your den would like to play at the picnic. Take ideas from families and/or assign families to bring their favorite games to play.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Food and picnic supplies (to the extent not delegated to other families).
 - For “ants on a log”: celery, peanut butter (check allergies) or cream cheese, and raisins.
 - For “patriotic surprise”: blueberries, sliced strawberries (or any other red berry), cottage cheese (or any other white food, such as coconut flakes), plus a rectangular tray or platter.
 - If you will be outdoors, bring sunblock and a first aid kit.
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem
- ▶ **Note:** If your picnic gets rained out and you take it indoors, you can repeat this den meeting with different snacks and games.

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you’re snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Remind the boys of appropriate behavior, including safety considerations, at your picnic.
- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 22** (“With your family or with your den, have a picnic—indoors or outdoors.”):
 - At the picnic, play games your den likes.
 - You might have families take turns leading their favorite games.
- ▶ **Elective 25** (“Make a snack and share it with your family or den.”):
 - Wash your hands with soap and warm water.
 - For ants on a log, take stalks of celery and add peanut butter (check allergies) or cream cheese. Raisins are the “ants” on top of the celery logs.
 - For patriotic surprise, arrange the red, white, and blue foods on the rectangular tray or platter to form an American flag.
- ▶ **Elective 29** (“Safety in the sun”):
 - Talk with your adult partner about when you should use sunscreen. Find out whether you have any in your home and where it is kept.



- With your adult partner, look at a container of sunscreen and find out whether it still protects you when you are wet. Also find out how long you are protected before you have to put on more.
- Look for the expiration date and make sure the sunscreen is not too old.
- ▶ **Elective 35** (“Play a game outdoors with your family or den.”):
 - More games! *Note:* Be sure that adult partners and families get into the action too, so that all have fun!

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader’s minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you’ve changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting H

Plant a Seed! and Song Time

Elective 30. Elective 6.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Ideally, identify what you'll plant and start this activity yourself weeks in advance, so that you can bring in examples of how the seeds will grow after the Tiger Cubs plant them (and you can see what works best).
 - As you see how they develop, you might bring in examples showing one, two, three or more weeks.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Seeds, pits, or green tops, preferably from something the boys often eat.
 - Suggestions: avocado pit, carrot tops, or citrus seeds, apple seeds, pear seeds, potatoes, sweet potatoes, pineapple tops, pumpkin seeds, or beet tops.
 - Planting containers
 - Planting soil
 - Words to the songs you're going to sing (if not in the *Tiger Cub Handbook*)
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

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Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 30** ("Plant a seed, pit, or greens from something you have eaten."):
 - Plant seeds or green tops, as described in the *Tiger Cub Handbook*, page 122.
- ▶ **Elective 6** ("Along with your adult partner, teach a song to your family or to your den and sing it together."):
 - Sing the songs "I've Got That Tiger Cub Spirit" and/or "If You're a Tiger and You Know It."
 - Feel free to substitute or add appropriate songs that you and the Scouts want to sing.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting I

Go See It: See a Performance

Elective 36.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Make arrangements for your den to take a Go See It to see a performance. This could be a play or musical performance. Consider attending a performance or recital at an area high school or college, or as part of a neighborhood or community festival.
 - You may wish to include the families of the Tiger Cubs.
 - Obtain tickets in advance and arrange transportation, if necessary.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

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Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Remind the boys of appropriate behavior, including safety considerations, at the site of your visit.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 36** ("With your family or your den, go see a play or musical performance in your community."):
 - Attend the performance.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting J

**Go See It: Visit a Bike Repair Shop and Take a Bike Ride
With Your Adult Partner**

Elective 38. Elective 37.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Make arrangements to visit a bicycle repair shop. If there is none convenient or Tiger Cub friendly, find an adult partner or neighbor with bike tools and interest in hosting (tools plus bikes equals repair shop!).
 - Give the shop manager or other instructor a copy of this meeting plan.
 - Arrange transportation to the bicycle shop or meet there.
- ▶ **Important note:** The bike ride part of this meeting is appropriate only if all Tiger Cubs have learned to ride a bike. If some have not yet learned, encourage them to do so well in advance of this meeting. Avoid having a boy feel embarrassed about not knowing how to ride. This meeting may need to be scheduled late in the year, or not at all, if it would cause embarrassment for a boy.
- ▶ Plan the location for this ride.
 - It will be safest to use a bicycle path or other area not used by motor vehicles.
- ▶ Communicate with parents to make sure all boys have access to a bike and a proper helmet, and so non-riders have advance notice so the boys have time to learn how to ride a bicycle.
 - Each boy participating in the bike ride must wear an approved bike helmet.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Bike safety quiz (An example is at the end of this meeting plan.)
 - Bike repair tools (pumps, spare tubes, tire patch, and other tools), and your own bike and helmet.
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Remind the boys of appropriate behavior, including safety considerations, at the site of your visit.
- ▶ Review bicycle safety rules and the plan for your ride.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 38** ("Visit a bike repair shop."):
 - See how people repair broken bicycles and what they do to keep them working.
 - Find out what you can do to take care of a bicycle so that it will last a long time.
 - Have individual "parent signoffs" for bike inspection (so they can judge if each bike is ready to ride).
- ▶ **Elective 37** ("Take a bike ride with your adult partner."):
 - Make sure there is sufficient time and space for the Scouts to ride around and enjoy their bikes!

Supplemental Den Meeting J



Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Bike Safety Quiz

A bicycle is not a toy; it is a vehicle and *you are the driver!*
Learn to share the road and *Ride Safely.*

1. Are there any times when you don't need to wear a helmet when riding a bike?

Answer: _____

2. Name three safe bike riding practices:

Answer: _____

3. What kinds of things should you check before you begin to ride?

Answer: _____

4. Where do most bicycle crashes occur?

Answer: _____

5. When riding your bike, it is important to stay alert at all times. Name three road hazards you should watch out for:

Answer: _____

6. Is it OK to ride a bicycle while listening to audio headphones?

Answer: _____

7. What is the most serious type of injury for cyclists?

Answer: _____

8. Always be a courteous cyclist. Remember, who has the right of way? Cyclists or pedestrians?

Answer: _____

9. How do you finish this sentence? Be Safe, Be _____! Sore *or* Seen?

Answer: _____

10. Always go with the flow of traffic, and stay to which side of the road?

Answer: _____

11. Before entering a roadway, you should look which ways for traffic?

Answer: _____

12. Where do you always need to check before changing lanes?

Answer: _____

13. Your bicycle helmet should cover your what?

Answer: _____

14. Your bicycle helmet should fit how?

Answer: _____

15. When making a turn, what do you do for others?

Answer: _____



Bike Safety Quiz Answers

A bicycle is not a toy . . . it is a vehicle and *you are the driver!*

Learn to share the road and *Ride Safely.*

1. Are there any times when you don't need to wear a helmet when riding a bike?

Answer: No, you should wear a helmet every time you get on any bike.

2. Name three safe bike riding practices:

Answers include:

- a. Ride single file.
- b. Obey traffic signs, signals, and lane markings.
- c. Always ride on the right side of the road, with traffic.
- d. Signal your moves to others.
- e. Check for traffic at an intersection.
- f. Stay alert at all times; slow down at driveways.
- g. _____

3. What kinds of things should you check before you begin to ride?

Answers:

- a. Inflate your tires properly.
- b. Check your brakes before riding.
- c. Always wear bright colors.
- d. Make sure you're not wearing clothes that can get caught in your bike.
- e. Carry your books and other possessions in a bicycle carrier or backpack.

4. Where do most bicycle crashes occur?

Answer: At intersections, including driveways.

5. When riding your bike, it is important to stay alert at all times. Name three road hazards you should watch out for.

Answers: Potholes, wet leaves, storm grates, cracks, gravel, broken glass or trash, water or oil, parked cars (doors flying open), _____

6. Is it OK to ride a bicycle while listening to audio headphones?

Answer: No.

7. What is the most serious type of injury for cyclists?

Answer: Head injuries.

8. Always be a courteous cyclist. Remember, who has the right of way? Cyclists or pedestrians?

Answer: Pedestrians.

9. How do you finish this sentence? Be Safe, Be _____! Sore or Seen?

Answer: Be Safe, Be Seen!

10. Always go with the flow of traffic, and stay to which side of the road?

Answer: The right side of the road.

11. Before entering a roadway, you should look which ways for traffic?

Answer: Left-right-left.

12. Where do you always need to check before changing lanes?

Answer: Beside you, in front of you, and behind you!

13. Your bicycle helmet should cover your what?

Answer: Forehead and the top of your head.

14. Your bicycle helmet should fit how?

Answer: Snugly, all straps snug and attached.

15. When making a turn, what do you do for others?

Answer: Signal your turn; show right and left turn signals.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting K

Go See It: Go to Work

Elective 39.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Make arrangements for your den to take a Go See It to visit the workplace of one of the adult partners. Ask the host to be prepared to explain and show the boys what is done at his or her workplace and how.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ Remind the boys of appropriate behavior, including safety considerations, at the site of your visit.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 39** ("Visit the place where your adult partner or another adult works."):
 - Ask the host to explain and show the boys what is done at his or her workplace and how.
 - Ask other adult partners how their work may be similar to or different from what is done here.
 - Ask the boys what kind of education and other preparation they will need to do this kind of work or other kinds of work.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting L

Feed the Birds

Elective 32.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ **Determine if any of the boys is allergic to peanuts.** If peanut allergies are a problem, substitute shortening for peanut butter. Find on the Internet instructions for pinecone bird feeders.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Materials for a pinecone bird feeder: one large pinecone per boy, string, jar of peanut butter, birdseed, an 8-by-8-inch cake pan, plastic knives, newspaper to cover the work table, a smock or large shirt for each boy and adult, and quart-size plastic zipper bags labeled with each boy's name to hold each completed pinecone bird feeder
 - Materials for a garland for the birds: oranges, day-old bread, heavy duty twine, yarn needle.
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 32** ("Make a bird feeder and then hang it outdoors."):
 - Make one or both kinds of bird feeders described in **Elective 32**; the pinecone bird feeder and/or the garland for the birds. See the *Tiger Cub Handbook*, page 126.
 - Hang the birdfeeder(s) outdoors.
- ▶ Be sure to mix in brief games and songs (serious or silly) to change the pace of the meeting. Tiger Cubs have short attention spans, and you and they will have more fun and focus better if you mix it up.

Want More Fun in Your Activities?

Don't just walk out and hang the bird feeders: Consider fun ways to do this.

- Maybe channel your best Animal Planet sense of wonder and danger.
- Or create your own bird masks. Or go to the other team and wear cat masks out there! They can be made out of paper grocery bags, or paper plates with string/rubber bands, plus markers.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.





Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting M

Family Mobile

Elective 5.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ If you are not a craftsperson, this is a great opportunity to enlist an adult partner who can lead crafts.
- ▶ You might ask Tiger Cubs and adult partner to bring in copies of photos that could be added to the mobiles.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Lightweight wire coat hangers (two per boy)
 - Clay
 - Scraps of cloth
 - Rocks
 - Construction paper
 - Thread or string
 - Colored markers
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 5** ("Make a family mobile."):
 - You may make a mobile with a base of rocks covered with clay, as described in the *Tiger Cub Handbook* under **Elective 5**, or a hanging mobile, using two wire coat hangers for each boy.
 - Have the boys draw pictures of the things that remind them of their family members, or make small models of them out of paper, cloth, or clay.
 - Hang each piece from the wire mobile, using thread or string.
- ▶ Have each Tiger Cub show his family mobile to the den, and explain why the items on the mobile remind them of family members.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.





Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting N

Display a Picture

Elective 4.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ If you are not a craftsperson, this is a great opportunity to enlist an adult partner who can lead crafts.
- ▶ Ask Tiger Cubs and adult partner to bring one or more photos to be put into the frames that will be made.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Poster board, for backing the picture and frame
 - Tongue depressors or craft sticks
 - Glue, tape, scissors
 - Buttons, shells, or markers to decorate the frame
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 4** ("Make a frame for a family picture."). See the *Tiger Cub Handbook*, page 84:
 - If a Tiger Cub did not bring in a photograph, have the Tiger Cub draw a family picture to be framed. You might have all of the Tiger Cubs do that, and they can decide whether to use the photo or drawing.
 - Cut the poster board to a size that will provide backing for the picture and frame.
 - Glue the sticks to the poster board.
 - Decorate the frame with buttons, shells, or markers.
 - Glue the picture in the center of the frame.
 - Fasten ribbon or string to the back, for hanging, if you wish.
- ▶ Have each Tiger Cub show his framed picture to the den, and explain to the den who is in the picture.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting O

Go See It: Healthy Teeth and Gums

Elective 46.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Make arrangements for your den to take a Go See It to visit a dental office to visit a dentist or dental hygienist.
 - Ask the host to be prepared to explain and show the boys interesting things in the office, as well as give dental hygiene advice.
 - Alternatively, if transportation or logistics are a problem, you could have a dentist or dental hygienist come to your meeting, but be sure that they bring tools and hands-on items that the Tiger Cubs can examine.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - Tiger Track Beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or host team (Tiger Cub and adult partner) or other parent helper or den chief. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

(On a Go See It field trip, you'll really need to determine when to cover these—at the beginning may not make sense. Work it in when you can do it in a way that works for you):

- ▶ Remind the boys of appropriate behavior, including safety considerations, at the site of your visit.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 46** ("Visit a dentist or dental hygienist."):
 - Visit with a dentist or dental hygienist and ask what you can do to take care of your teeth and gums.
 - Ask the person what he or she had to learn about the job that they do.
 - Ask the person for a tour of the office, and to see how the machines and tools work.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader's minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.



Supplemental Tiger Den Meeting P

Sew a Button and Song Time

Elective 18. Elective 6.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ If you are not a craftsperson, this is a great opportunity to enlist an adult partner who can lead crafts.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den box of U.S. and den flags, paper and pencils, other supplies):
 - An assortment of large buttons with two or four holes
 - Fabric scraps
 - A needle with a large eye for each boy
 - Thread
 - Words to the songs you're going to sing (if not in the *Tiger Cub Handbook*)
 - Tiger Track beads for Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem

Before the Meeting

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Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, coloring, puppets) that will keep Tiger Cubs interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance.
- ▶ Recite the Cub Scout Promise (or other opening); perhaps add a roll call and/or uniform recognition.

Business Items

- ▶ If a Scout has brought his family scrapbook back, allow him to show it to the rest of the den.
- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 18** ("Sew a button onto fabric."):
 - Cut a piece of thread about 20 inches long and thread the end into the needle.
 - Double the thread and make a knot in the end.
 - Put the button on the cloth where you want it, and hold it there with one hand.
 - With the other, bring the needle up through one of the holes of the button from the wrong side and pull gently until the thread is all the way through the cloth.
 - Then push the needle through another hole back to the wrong side of the fabric.
 - Keep working the thread up and down through the holes until the button is secure.
 - End with the needle on the wrong side of the fabric. Make a knot by taking several small stitches in the same spot.
 - Cut off the extra thread.

Want More Fun Activities?

To have a use for the button sewing, you could sew the buttons onto socks to make sock puppets (along with other markers and materials to decorate the sock puppets), and then have sock puppet theater.

- ▶ Be sure to mix in games to change the pace of the meeting, because Tiger Cubs have short attention spans, and you and they will have more fun and focus better if you mix it up.



- ▶ **Elective 6** (“Along with your adult partner, teach a song to your family or to your den and sing it together.”):
 - Sing the songs “I’ve Got That Tiger Cub Spirit” and/or “If You’re a Tiger and You Know It.”
 - Feel free to substitute or add appropriate songs that you and the Scouts want to sing.

Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: perhaps a den leader’s minute, Law of the Pack, den yell, and/or Living Circle.
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you’ve changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.