Tiger Den Meeting 11

The Show Must Go On and Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Elective 21. Elective 47.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- For this meeting, bring paper lunch bags, crayons, markers, construction paper, yarn, old buttons, fabric scraps, bottle caps, and the like.

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.
- Have boys sign a note or card as a formal thank-you to any recent Go See It sites or guests.

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.

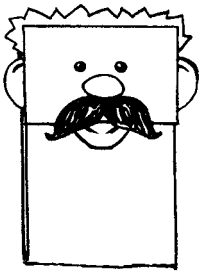
Business Items

- 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.

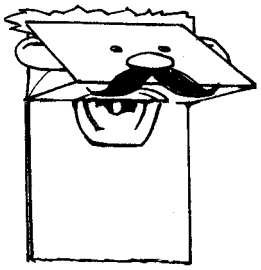
Activities

- **Elective 47** ("Learn about what you can recycle in your community and how you can recycle at home. Learn about things that need to be recycled in special ways, such as paint and batteries."):
  - Discuss what you can recycle.
  - Show how decorations on your paper-bag puppets can be recycled materials (old buttons, fabric scraps, bottle caps, etc.).

- **Elective 21** ("Make a Puppet."): Make paper-bag puppets.
  - Can be simple, with the bag completely open and the face done on one side.
  - Could be more complex, with the face using the bottom fold-over as a flap so if you open that flap, you can draw a mouth in/under there. Or eyes that open and close.



Flap down

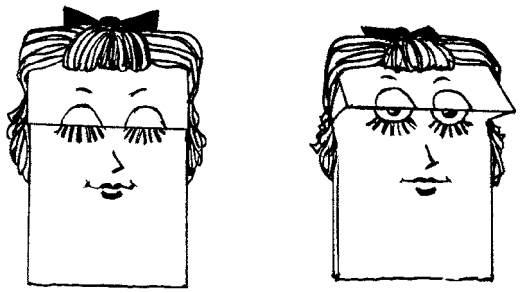


Flap up

  - Your puppet's features may be drawn directly on the paper bag, but a more interesting puppet results when features are made with bits of colored felt, construction paper, or other materials. Use bright colors.

- To give the impression of speaking to your puppet, put the top of the mouth at the bottom of the flap, and put the bottom lip directly underneath on the front of the bag. This will cause the lips to meet.
- Open the flap and finish the mouth so that it will be continuous.

- For a puppet that will open its eyes and then close them, locate the tops of the eyes at the bottom of the flap and directly under the flap front of the bag.
  - Under the flap, make the eyes open.



Flap down ***Flap up***

Want More Fun Activities?

Don't just make the puppets, have the Tiger Cubs put on a puppet show for all!

- Record or videotape it! Play it back for all to see!

Closing

- Award any advancement completed at this meeting.
- 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.
- Boys take home puppets and flutes.
- Remind all that the next meeting is a Go See It (unless the sequence is changed)

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.