

Tiger Den Meeting 6

Where I Live, How I Tell It

Achievement 2: Where I Live (2F, 2D). Achievement 4: How I Tell It (4F partial, 4D). Character Connection for Citizenship.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- For Den Meeting 6, bring a map of your community, index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack, and Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem beads.

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

- Teach boys how to do a pack flag ceremony. For detailed guidelines and ceremony examples, see *Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs*.
- Practice a pack flag ceremony and the 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

- **Achievement 2D:** Complete the Character Connection for Citizenship:
  - **Know:** What does it mean to be a good citizen? Why do you think we say the Pledge of Allegiance?
  - **Commit:** Is it easy to be a good citizen? Why is it important to show respect to the flag even if others around you might not?
  - **Practice:** Do **Achievement 2D:** Practice the Pledge of Allegiance with your den, and participate in a den or pack flag ceremony.

  Suggestion: As part of this, you might do the following:
  - Discuss your code of conduct and how you are all citizens in your den, making and following the rules. It is hoped you can take them back to how they came up with the rules, and how they were created out of the need to have respect and order in the group.
  - For "Practice the Pledge," there are lots of ways to do this. Having all recite it alone is obvious; using a tape recorder or video recorder to make it fun is also good.
  - An illuminating exercise is to ask the Scouts to discuss what certain of the words of the Pledge mean. Words like "united," "republic," "liberty," and "justice" may only be sounds to many Scouts at this age, so discussing the concepts can be a revelation for them and you.

- **Achievement 2F:** Look at the map of your community and find your home and three places you would like to go.

- **Achievement 4D:** Play "Tell It Like It Isn't" (*Tiger Cub Handbook,* page 67)
  - To play this game, Tiger Cubs form a line.
  - The first Tiger Cub whispers one sentence to the second Tiger Cub.
  - Each one takes his turn, whispering the sentence to the next boy.
  - The last boy repeats the sentence out loud. How close is it to the original sentence?
  - Take turns and play a few more times.

Want More Fun Activities?

That sort of "telephone" message relay game can be adapted for an outdoor relay race if you space the boys around the perimeter of a field or schoolyard.

- Then see if they can do a "relay run" and get the message around to everyone. You might bring a prize for everyone for their success and teamwork.

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.
- Remind all that the next meeting is a Go See It (unless the sequence has changed).

- **Home Assignment:** Remind Tiger Cubs and adult partners to complete **Achievement 4F** at home.

Tiger Cubs participating in Den Meeting 6 have earned a fourth white bead **(Achievement 2F).** Tiger Cubs participating in Den Meeting 6 have earned their fourth and fifth orange beads **(Achievements 2D, 4D).**

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.