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

- 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 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.



- 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.