

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.