

CAMPING

TROOP MEETING PLAN

Date _____ Week 3

Activity	Description	Run by	Time
Preopening _____ minutes			
Opening Ceremony _____ minutes			
Skills Instruction _____ minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Scouts work on clothing and equipment needed for the troop campout and become familiar with troop camping gear. If possible, set up a dining fly and pitch a tent outside your meeting area. Discuss what to do if you get lost (<i>Boy Scout Handbook</i>). • Experienced Scouts work on identifying wild plants and trees that can be used in food preparation. Design a lean-to that can be made of simple materials and could be used as shelter on an overnight. • Older Scouts work on the Venture/Varsity program or continue work on an orienteering course, using a topographic map of the camping area. 		
Patrol Meetings _____ minutes	Finalize the menu for the campout and make sure everyone knows what to bring. Review clothing and equipment needs and collect any necessary fees. If you need to have a shake-down campout with your patrol or an outdoor practice for the patrol activities, schedule it now. Older Scouts may want to shoot photos or slides at the campout to add to your troop's scrapbook or to show at your next family gathering.		
Interpatrol Activity _____ minutes	Blindfold Compass Walk ("Program Specialties" section of this book)		
Closing _____ minutes Total 90 minutes of meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scoutmaster's Minute • Retire colors 	SM	
After the Meeting	Patrol leaders' council reviews next meeting and plans for troop campout or outing. Begin work on next month's program feature. Have you planned a family outing lately?		