



Paws for Action (Duty to Country)

Adventure Requirements

Complete Requirement 1 plus two others from Requirements 2-4.

1. Learn about our nation's flag. Display it at home for one month. Say the Pledge of Allegiance and learn its meaning.
2. Do at least one of the following.
 - A. Find out about two famous Americans. Share what you learned.
 - B. Find out where places of historical interest are located in or near your community, town, or city. Go and visit one of them with your family or den.
3. Do at least two of the following.
 - A. With your school or den, visit a local sheriff's office, police station, or fire department OR talk with a fire safety officer or law enforcement officer visiting your school or den. Find out what skills the officers use to do their jobs. Ask questions that will help you learn how to stay safe.
 - B. Make a list of emergency numbers and discuss with your family where the list should be kept. Show your family that you know how to call for help in an emergency. Talk with your family about people who could help you if a parent is not available.
 - C. With your family, develop a plan to follow in case of an emergency, and practice the plan at least three times. Your family can determine the emergency, or you can develop several plans.
4. Do at least one of the following.
 - A. Do a cleanup project that benefits your community.
 - B. Participate in a patriotic community parade or other civic event that honors our country.



Parent Corner

This adventure is designed to teach your Scout about civic engagement and the history of our country: including war, politics, and engagement with law enforcement. Because of the nature of these concepts, it is important that you assist your scout with understanding some of these fundamental ideas in the best way possible.



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Requirement #1: Learn about US Flag; Display for 30 days; Pledge

Materials Needed

- US Flag
- Pledge of Allegiance puzzle
- Scissors

Instructions

1. Watch this [Paws for Action](#) video.
2. Display the U.S. flag at home for 30 days.
3. Find the pledge puzzle in the next pages. Cut out the squares. Mix up the squares. Match the parts of the Pledge of Allegiance to their meaning.
4. Read your Cub Scout Handbook to learn more about the US flag.



The form of the pledge used today was largely devised by Francis Bellamy in 1892, and formally adopted by Congress as the pledge in 1942. The official name of the Pledge of Allegiance was adopted in 1945.



Pee Wee Says

“When a new state joins the union, what day is the new star added to the flag? July 4th- Independence Day.”



The Meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance

We pledge allegiance to:

- to the flag - the symbol of our country
- of the United States of America - each state that has joined to make our country
- and to the Republic - a Republic is a country where the people choose their representatives, to make laws for them, that is the government is for the people
- for which it stands - the flag, meaning the country
- one nation - a single nation
- under God - the people believe in a Supreme being
- indivisible - the country cannot be split into parts
- with liberty and justice - with freedom and fairness
- for all- for each person in the country, you and me!





Pledge Puzzle

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Requirement #2: Famous Americans

Materials Needed

- Pencil

Instructions

1. Find out about 2 famous Americans. Your options are:
 - a. There are suggestions in your bear Cub Scout Handbook.
 - b. You can also find 2 that you would like to research,
 - c. You can watch the following videos:
 - i. [Rosa Parks](#)
 - ii. [Sequoyah](#)



Who were the 2 famous Americans that you learned about? List 1 fact you learn.

1.



2.



Pee Wee Says

"A Scout is Brave. Some famous Americans became famous due to their brave actions."



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Requirement 3A: Police Virtual Tour

Materials Needed

- Pencil

Instructions

1. Watch this [San Jose Fire Department video](#).
2. Make a list of emergency numbers and discuss with your family where the list should be kept. (See the emergency contact list formed in your book.)
3. Show your family that you know how to call for help in an emergency (do NOT call unless there is an actual emergency occurring).
4. Talk with your family about people who could help you if a parent is not available.



What questions would you ask a SJFD Firefighter?

A scout is brave. How do law enforcement officers show their bravery in dangerous situations?



Pee Wee Says

"Remember to remain calm during an emergency, this will allow you to think clearly and act fast!"



<p>Name:</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Emergency Contact List</p> <p>911 for police, fire department and ambulance</p>
<p>Emergency Contact</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p>	<p>Emergency Contact</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p>
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Requirement 4A: Cleanup Project

Materials Needed

- Garbage bags
- Gloves

Instructions

1. Find a cleanup project in your neighborhood and participate in it.
2. Review the cleanup safety rules on the next page of your book.



Cleaning up after ourselves is something we all should do. However, you have probably noticed that not everyone remembers to do that. Sometimes you will see an empty lot where people have dumped trash or where weeds have grown tall. As you travel, you may see trash along the roadside. As a Scout, you can help your community take care of these problems. This is a good way to show your pride in your community. By giving your time, you can make a difference.

Pee Wee Says

"A scout is cheerful. Here are two cheers you can use to have fun while cleaning up:

Clean Up Park Cheer: *Pretend to be picking up stuff, examine one piece and exclaim, 'A \$20 bill!!'*

Clean up schoolyard cheer: *Pick up a piece of paper and stuff it into bag, pick up another, examine and say, 'This is the homework I lost yesterday, yeaaaaaa!'"*





CLEAN UP SAFETY RULES

All volunteer should:

- Wear in orange safety vest
- Wear light-colored clothing that covers arms and legs
- Wear closed-toed shoes or boots
- Wear clothing that will not divert attention of motorists during cleanup
- Wear clothing that will not impair vision or movement during cleanup
- Stay at least five feet away from the edge of the road
- Obey all safety rules and guidelines
- Face oncoming traffic when picking up litter and look up often to ensure that no vehicles encroaching your work area
- Stay well clear of any construction
- Stop work in inclement weather
- Drink plenty of fluids- take breaks- avoid overexertion
- Be alert for snakes, stinging insects and poisonous plants
- Avoid contact with noxious weeds and areas where herbicides are applied
- Use proper lifting and bending techniques

Volunteer should not:

- Pick up trash on the road surface
- Pick up trash on bridges overpasses or in tunnels
- Pick up what appears to be hazardous material or any type of container with unknown contents (See "Safety Alert- Hazardous Materials" insert for more information. Notify your parents or leaders if you encounter hazardous objects, holes, guy wires or other hidden obstacles in the grounds.)
- Attempt to squeeze bags to make room for more trash (injuries from broken or jagged objects can result)

