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CUB CRAFTS 404

Creating With a Purpose



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HI! I'M MOLLY

★ My mom was an awesome crafter

★ I have a family history in Scouting and the outdoors

★ I was Den Leader for my daughter's den for five years Tiger



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WHY CRAFTS?

Why do we use Crafts in Cubs?

- ★ Kids get bored when you talk to them
- ★ Completes a requirement
- ★ Reinforces concepts learned in the adventures
- ★ Kids learn to make useful things
- ★ Gets parents involved
- ★ Parents get a tangible item to keep

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WHY CRAFTS?

What can Crafts Teach Cubs?

- ★ New skills
- ★ Fine Motor Muscles & Hand-Eye Coordination
- ★ How to try different ways of doing things
- ★ How to create something with their hands
- ★ Determination and persistence
- ★ Pride in their hard work


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DO'S AND DON'TS



DON'T

- Use a craft just to fill time
 - Craft at every den meeting
 - Make complicated crafts that are frustrating to complete
 - Discourage creativity or let them give up!
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DO

- Crafting with a purpose (service projects, gifts, advancement)
- Vary the types of crafts
- Send unfinished crafts home to complete with family
- Find crafts that are age-appropriate and challenging

TYPES OF CRAFTS

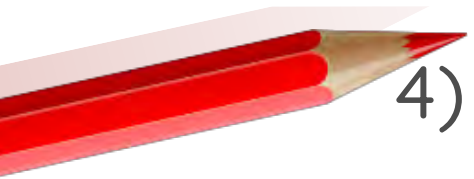
Paper
Wood
Leather
Rope
Fabric
Metal
String
Recycled Items



HOW TO INTRODUCE A CRAFT



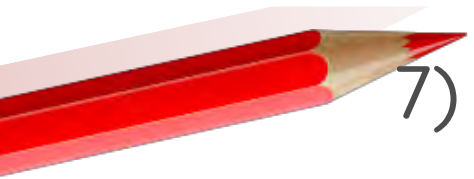
- 1) Test the craft yourself. If you have a spare Scout sitting around, have them test it too.
- 2) Make a finished sample and any patterns you might need.
- 3) For wood projects, it is helpful to have most of the cutting done ahead of time.
- 4) Try to have enough tools for everyone. Have parents bring their own if they can.



HOW TO INTRODUCE A CRAFT



- 4) Make sure you have enough materials for everyone to get started at the same time.
- 5) Teach the craft step by step. You may have to go over the steps several times.
- 6) Enlist parents to help! Send unfinished crafts home for finishing.
- 7) If possible, display the finished crafts at your next den or pack meeting.





THE EDGE METHOD



E XPLAIN

“Here’s what we’re doing today”

D EMONSTRATE

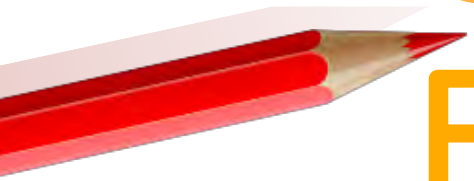
“Let me show you how”

G UIDE

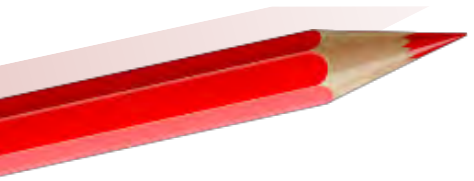
“Here are the steps to follow”

E NABLE

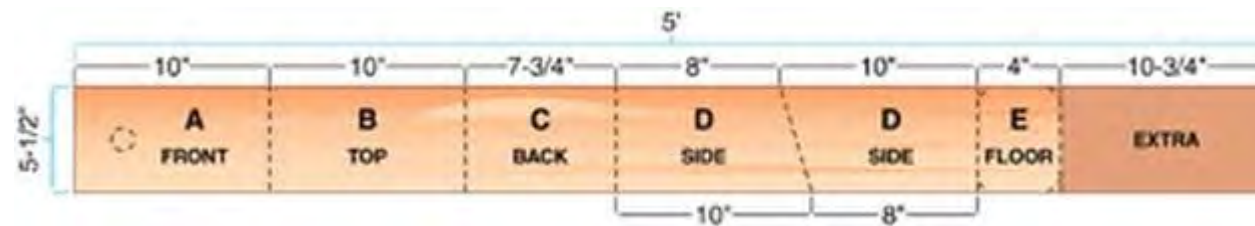
“Now you try!”



TIGER ADVENTURE CRAFTS



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Red Ted Art

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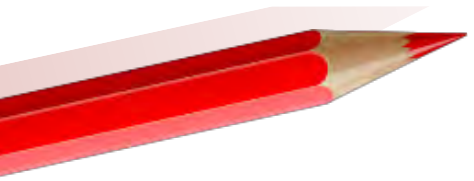


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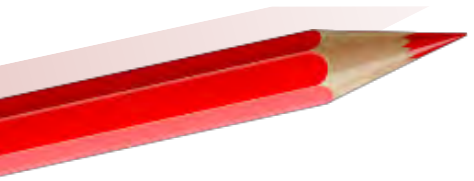
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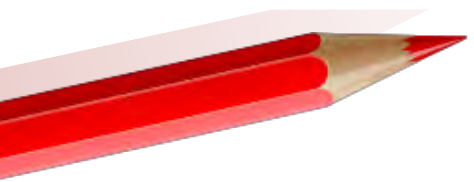
- My Tiger Jungle – Birdhouses
- Good Knights – Shields
- Sky is the Limit – Constellation Art
- Stories in Shapes – Shape Collages
- Tiger Theater – Hand Puppets
- Service Project – Snuffle Mats for Humane Society visit



WOLF ADVENTURE CRAFTS



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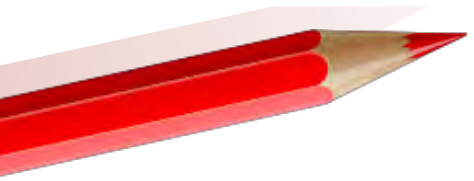


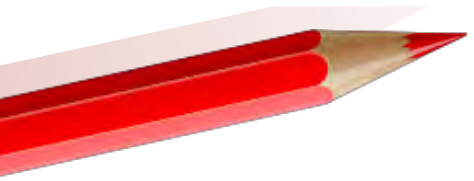
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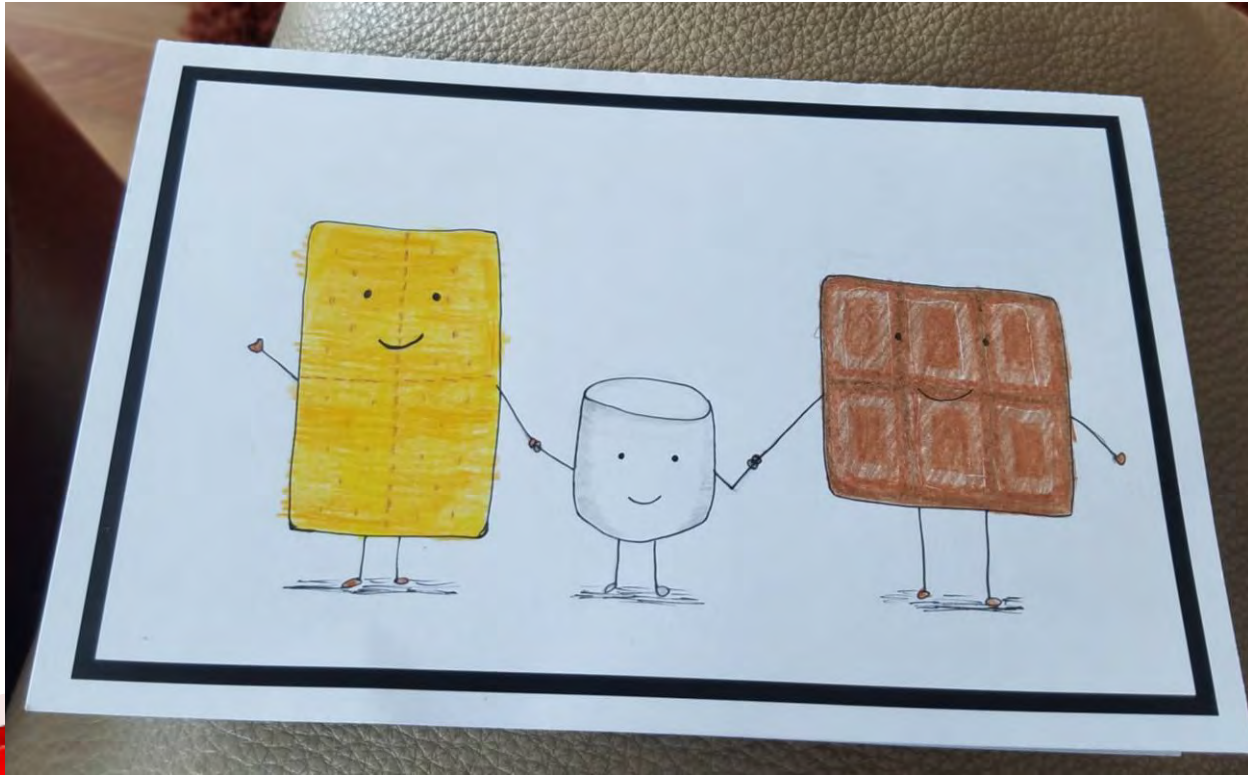




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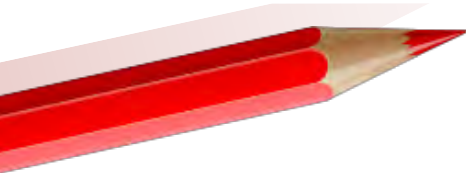
We need
'Smore'
nurses like
you!

Thank you,
Love, Stella.

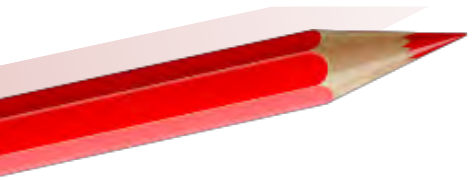
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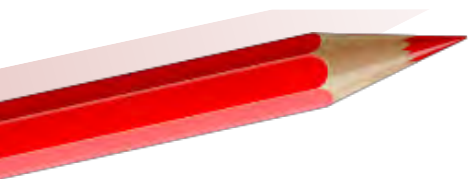
- Council Fire – Cards for Seniors
- Air of the Wolf – Paper Airplanes, Kazoos, Balloon Boats
- Code of the Wolf – Mancala
- Digging in the Past – Fossil Cast, Dino Dig, Fossil Snack
- Germs Alive – “Snot” Slime
- Grow Something – Terrarium
- Motor Away – Boats & Cars



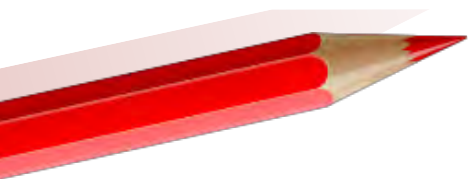
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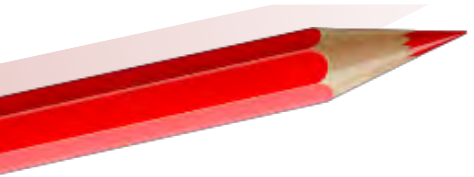
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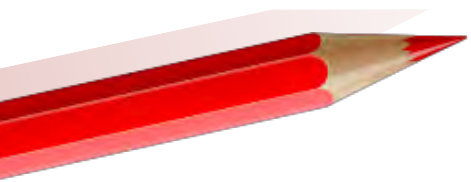
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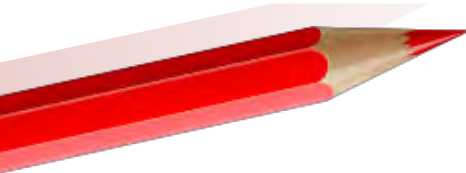


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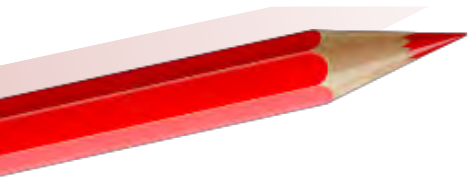
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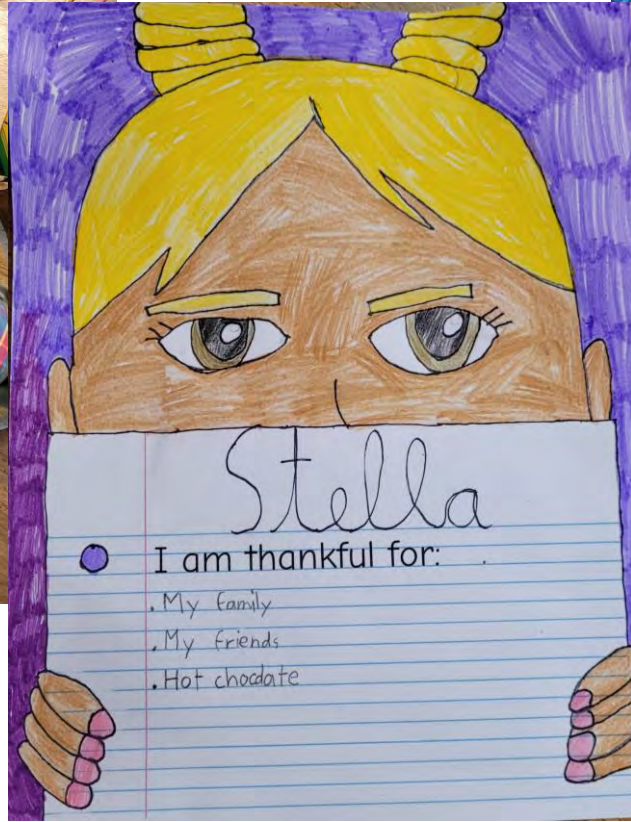
- Baloo the Builder – Bird Feeders
- Bear Claws – Soap Carving
- Bear Picnic Basket – Snacks
- Beat of the Drum – Native Crafts
- Grin & Bear It – Carnival Games, Posters, Tickets, Prizes
 - Robotics – Robots, Robot Hand Craft
 - World of Sound – Mbira, Sistrum, Rainstick



WEBELOS ADVENTURE CRAFTS



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WEBELOS ADVENTURE CRAFTS



- Adventures in Science – Model Solar System, Circuit Crafts
 - Art Explosion, Build It – Pretty Much the Whole Adventure
 - Build My Own Hero – My Hero Award
 - Castaway – Survival Bracelets, Fire Starters
 - Engineer – Building from a Blueprint, Rocket Launcher
 - Game Design – Build a Game
 - Looking Forward, Looking Back – Scrapbook, Time Capsule
 - Moviemaking – Sets, Props, etc.
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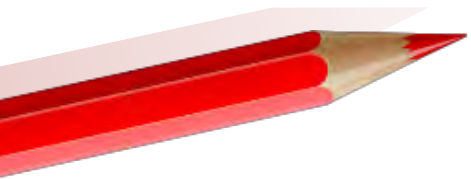


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- Pinewood Derby, Raingutter Regatta, Space Derby
- Encourage parents to do the project WITH their kids instead of FOR their kids
- Consider including an adult race and sibling races
- Work a Pinewood Derby workshop day into a den meeting (Baloo the Builder, Build It)

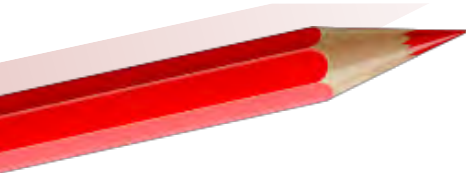




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RESOURCES - IDEAS

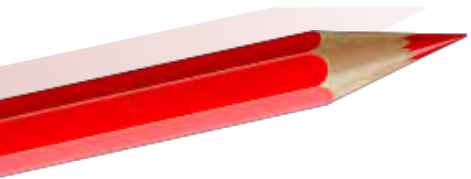


- Cub Scout Handbook
 - Cub Scout Leader's Handbook
 - Previous Den Leaders
 - Old Craft Books
 - Pinterest, Pinterest, Pinterest
 - Blogs
 - CubScoutIdeas.com
 - ArtProjectsforKids.org
 - Google photos
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RESOURCES - MATERIALS



- Lumberyards or General Contractors
- Printing and Sign Shops
- Grocery Stores
- Your Own Recycle Bin
- Craigslist
- Online – Ebay, Etsy, OTC
- The Dollar Store
- Amazon



OTHER PROJECTS



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GRATITUDE PUMPKINS



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THANK YOU!

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