



**Core Value:
Responsibility**

Jungle of Fun

Pack Committee

Why Jungle of Fun for the Core Value Responsibility. This jungle theme is used to show how being responsible is an important part of any society. In the *Jungle Book* story used in the *Wolf Handbook*, Akela, Baloo, and the other jungle creatures take responsibility for Mowgli's safety and learning the ways of the jungle, making him a responsible part of their pack. It directly relates to the Cub Scout Law of the Pack and how the leaders, parents, and Scouts are all responsible for the success of their pack. In today's society, we understand our responsibility to preserve and protect the natural habitats of other creatures as we follow the Outdoor Code.

BEFORE THE MEETING

Have printed materials (copies of word search game; large poster with the Law of the Pack; poster or handout with the Outdoor Code) for families to see; council fire set up; awards for Scouts set out on display. Decorate the room with pictures of jungle animals, jungle flowers, fruits, and birds. Have jungle sound effects or background noises playing as families enter. The Cubmaster should wear a safari hat. Help Cub Scouts set up any displays.

GATHERING

The preassigned den hands out copies of the word search game (see the end of this meeting plan) and pencils for families to do together as they arrive. Here is the key.

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Option: Use "Jungle Animal Pairing" from Group Meeting Sparklers, No. 33122.

OPENING

Preassigned den presents the flags.

CUBMASTER: Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, based Cub Scouting on one of the *Jungle Book* stories written long ago by Rudyard Kipling. This story, which is in the *Wolf Handbook*, tells how Akela, the leader of the Wolf pack, took responsibility for Mowgli, a boy who had gotten lost in the jungle. Baloo, the bear, took responsibility for teaching Mowgli the Law of the Pack and the ways of the jungle. Please join me in repeating the Law of the Pack. *(Raise the right hand in the Cub Scout sign along with den members who presented the flags.)*





Prayer (Cub Scout or Leader)

“We give thanks for the members of our pack and the animals of the jungles around the world. We pray that we help keep them safe as responsible citizens of our planet.”

Welcome and Introductions

The Cubmaster welcomes new families, introduces them to the pack, and thanks those who helped prepare for and plan the pack meeting.

Give everyone a jungle cheer welcome. (Explain the Jungle cheer, below.)

The preassigned den leads the pack in “I Like Bananas, Coconuts, and Grapes” from the Cub Scout Songbook.

PROGRAM

Den Demonstrations

Ask each den in turn to talk about their adventures during the last month. Call members to the front and ask them to each give their own distinctive sound as they come forward:

Tiger Cubs: Roar like a tiger—RRRRR!

Wolf: Howl like a wolf—Ah-ooooo!

Bear: Growl like a bear—Grrrr!

Webelos: We’ll BE Loyal Scouts!

CUBMASTER: Thank you to all the inhabitants of our jungle pack. Let’s give them a jungle cheer!

Jungle Cheer

Divide the group into the following groups.

Cub Scouts: The sounds they used earlier

Moms: Screech like a hawk—Eyaw! Eyaw!

Dads: Yell like a monkey—Eeeek! Eeeek!

Other family members: Hiss like a snake—Hsss! Hsss!

RECOGNITION

CUBMASTER: We have several jungle den members who have met their responsibilities to themselves this month by achieving and mastering new skills in their den. As Akela of our pack, I call the following jungle creatures to the council fire. *(Set up a simulated campfire with a cauldron; see Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs for suggestions. Call up those to be recognized by name, along with their parents in the following manner. Prearrange for each Cub Scout to imitate his creature’s movements as he is called up.)*

The bobcat who hunts, climbs, and jumps in the wild. *(Call out the Cub Scout’s name.)*

The mighty tiger who moves quietly through the jungle. *(Call out the Cub Scout’s name.)*

The wolf who prowls the night with his friends. *(Call out the Cub Scout’s name.)*

The bear who rises on his hind feet to frighten others. *(Call out the Cub Scout’s name.)*

The Webelos Scout who moves on two feet proudly with the creatures. *(Call out the Cub Scout’s name.)*

(Take the awards out of the council fire and present to each Cub Scout with his parents.)



CLOSING

Cubmaster's Minute

I used the word “responsibility” many times tonight. I used it to talk about everyone who provided tonight’s meeting—they were responsible for its success. I used it to talk about Akela, who took responsibility for Mowgli, teaching him to also be responsible. I talked about it when we recognized our Scouts for learning new skills.

Where we live—though it isn’t like the jungles in South America or Africa—requires us to be responsible for ourselves, to keep us safe; for our family, to do our tasks as a family member; and for others, to be responsible as a citizen and care for our planet the way Akela, Baloo, and the other jungle creatures were responsible and cared for Mowgli.

Part of that word is *response*. That means when you are responsible, you respond to a need. Our Cub Scouts have shown great responsibility this month in responding to the needs of themselves, their family, our pack, and others. We adults respond by giving you a cheer. (*Lead families and leaders in the Jungle cheer.*)

CLOSING CEREMONY

The Outdoor Code

CUBMASTER: Please join me in reciting the Outdoor Code. *As an American, I will do my best to be clean in my outdoor manners.*

PACK FAMILIES: I will treat the outdoors as a heritage. I understand my responsibility to improve it for myself and others.

PACK LEADER: *I will be careful with fire.*

PACK FAMILIES: I will prevent forest fires. I will build fire in a safe place and be sure the fire area is cold before I leave.

PACK LEADER: *I will be considerate in the outdoors.*

PACK FAMILIES: I will treat public and private property with respect. I will remember that use of the outdoors is a right and a privilege.

PACK LEADER: *I will be conservation minded.*

PACK FAMILIES: I will learn how to practice good conservation of soil, water, forests, wildlife, and energy.

(The preassigned den retires the colors.)

AFTER THE MEETING

Other Features to Add

(Adapted from Group Meeting Sparklers)

Run Ons

I'm a Tiger

PERSON 1: “Ask me if I’m a tiger.”

PERSON 2: “OK, are you a tiger?”

PERSON 1: “Yes. Now ask me if I’m a bear.”

PERSON 2: “OK, are you a bear?”

PERSON 1: “No, remember, I told you I was a tiger!”

Branch Office

PERSON 1: "We interrupt this meeting to bring you a message from the branch office."

PERSON 2: (Making monkey noises, enters carrying a branch)

Cheers

Tiger cheer: Grrrrrrr-eeee-aaaate!

Wolf cheer: Aaaaarrrroooooo!

Lion cheer: Bring hands up and make lion-type claws, and yell, "Roar! Roar! Roar! Roar!"

Applause

Thunder and Rain Applause

CUBMASTER: Remember that every jungle has its thunderstorms! *(Have the group place their hands, palms open, on their knees. Starting from the left side of the room, have them softly tap their knees to simulate rain. As the "storm" moves across the room, have each section pat louder and louder until it gets to the center, when everyone stands, yells "BOOM" to simulate thunder, then sits down. The "storm" then fades away as it moves to the right.)*



October



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