

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES PATROL CHALLENGES

Patrol Challenge #1

1. Patrol members may speak only in “Pig-Latin.”
2. Place your patrol in a straight line, facing 270 degrees.
3. Using available materials, have each Patrol member discover his proper step or pace.
4. Ask you judge to point out a specific tree.
5. Have your Patrol discover that tree’s approximate height and report it to your judge.

Patrol Challenge #2

1. Only the Patrol member with the biggest ears may speak.
2. Form your Patrol into a single file, facing 344 degrees, with the Patrol Leader in front.
3. Have each Patrol member place his right hand on the left Shoulder of the Scout in front of him.
4. Have each Patrol member place his left hand on the right shoulder of the Scout in front of him.
5. Keeping your Patrol in this formation/position, go 130 feet at 172 degrees.

Patrol Challenge #3

1. Only Patrol members whose last names contain six letters may speak.
2. Form a 360 degree formation, 8 feet in circumference.
3. Find the exact center of your circle.
4. Obtain an American Flag from the judge, speaking in a poem.
5. Using available materials, raise the flag, at least, 20 feet above the ground.

Patrol Challenge #4

1. The Patrol must chant to communicate.
2. Divide your Patrol in half.
3. Send each half of your Patrol in opposite directions, 1/4 mile.
4. Have each half of your Patrol collect one piece of as many different plants, as possible. The more pieces from different plants, the higher your score.
5. Have your Patrol describe to your judge what you found. Remember step 1.

Patrol Challenge #5

1. All Patrol members may speak, in a whisper only.
2. Blindfold your entire Patrol.
3. Place your Patrol in a single file, and place each Scout's right hand on the shoulder of the Scout in front of him, then follow your Judge.
4. Take your blindfolds off, when your judge tells you to do so.
5. Using only known landmarks, have your "lost" Patrol do what it should.

Patrol Challenge #6

1. The entire Patrol must burp throughout this challenge.
2. Put your Patrol in single file, shortest Patrol member in front.
3. Have each Patrol member put his right hand in his right pants pocket, and leave it there.
4. Have each Patrol member place his left hand on top of the head of the Scout in front of him.
5. Have the entire Patrol hop on one foot for 1 minute. Remember step 1.

Patrol Challenge #7

1. Patrol members may speak, but only in a Rap.
2. Form your Patrol in a perfect square around the campfire pit.
3. Put a fly up above the fire pit.
4. Ask your judge for your needed materials. Remember step 1.
5. When you have complete erecting your fly, describe, in Rap, what you did to accomplish this challenge.

Patrol Challenge #8

1. The entire Patrol may speak, in sentences of exactly five words.
2. Form your Patrol in a triangle formation.
3. Staying in this formation, walk your Patrol to the axe yard.
4. Put your Patrol in two lines, facing each other.
5. Pass the axe, using proper technique and remembering step 1, through the entire Patrol and back.

Patrol Challenge #9

1. Only the Patrol member with the longest hair may speak.
2. Have your shortest hair Patrol member obtain a tent from the judge.
3. Have your Patrol erect the tent, to your judge's approval.
4. Strike the tent, roll it and put it back in its bag.
5. Return the tent to your judge.

Patrol Challenge #10

1. All Patrol members may speak.
2. Write on a piece of paper, something about your judge.
3. Put a piece of tape on the paper.
4. With his back to you, sneak up on the judge.
5. Tape your piece of paper to your judge's back. If he calls out the name of a Patrol member, due to hearing or seeing him, your Patrol will have failed this challenge. You have five minutes from the time you tell your judge you are ready to sneak up on him.

Patrol Challenge #11

1. Only the Patrol leader may speak.
2. Your judge just collapsed.
3. He is pale and his lips are turning blue.
4. He has no pulse and is not breathing.
5. Simulate proper first aid to save his life. Follow all steps in the Scout Handbook.

Patrol Challenge #12.

1. The entire Patrol may speak, but only in a Russian accent.
2. Form your Patrol in a square, facing out.
3. Staying in this formation, walk your Patrol to the axe yard, then sit the Patrol in a perfectly straight line, facing the yard.
4. Have your youngest Patrol member enter the yard and sharpen the axe, using the proper techniques and safety policies of Scouting.
5. Have your Patrol Quartermaster, enter the Axe yard, after the first Scout has left it, and sharpen the knife, again in accordance with the Scout Handbook.

Patrol Challenge #13

1. Each Patrol member may speak, but only one word every 30 seconds.
2. Have your Patrol form into a "T" formation.
3. Walk your Patrol to each of your Patrol members tents, staying in this formation.
4. Have each Patrol member leave formation, enter his tent and get one of the essential ten items from his gear, hide it on his person, and return to the formations.
5. Once each patrol member has obtained one item, return to your judge, in formation, and describe what you have obtained. Remember step 1.

Patrol Challenge #14

1. Patrol members must speak very fast.
2. Patrol members must mover very slow.
3. Have each patrol member sit, Indian style, without using his hands.
4. Have each Patrol member change to a push-up position.
5. Have your Patrol do a total of 25 push-ups.

Patrol Challenge #15

1. All Patrol members must keep their hands in their pants pockets.
2. Have your Patrol members stand in front of their tents.
3. Have each Patrol member remove his shoes.
4. Have each Patrol member enter his tent.
5. Have each Patrol member get into his sleeping bag, then out of it, leave the tent, zipper it, and put his shoes back on.

Patrol Challenge #16

1. Only the lowest rank Patrol member may speak.
2. Have your Patrol Leader lay on his stomach.
3. Treat your Patrol Leader for a broken collarbone.
4. Treat your Patrol Leader for Shock.
5. Using available materials, make a stretcher, place your Patrol Leader on it and take him to your Scoutmaster or outing leader.

Patrol Challenge #17

1. Each Patrol member may only use his left hand.
2. Form your Patrol into a 5 foot circle.
3. Have your Patrol sit down and remove their shoes.
4. Tie all of your shoes together and throw them into a pile in the middle of your circle.
5. Untie your shoes and have each Scout put his shoes back on.

Patrol Challenge #18.

1. Only the Patrol member holding the Patrol flag may speak. You may trade off the flag.
2. Form a circle, sitting down, feet in.
3. Have Patrol members get into a push-up position.
4. Have your patrol members put their feet together.
5. Get all your Patrol members' feet and knees off the ground and hold for 1 minute.

Patrol Challenge #19

1. Patrol members may not speak.
2. Form your Patrol in a straight line, facing West (all Scouts facing out).
3. Have each Patrol member turn right 90 degrees.
4. Have each Patrol member turn left 270 degrees.
5. Have your Patrol find a way to demonstrate the Outdoor Code.

Patrol Challenge #20

1. Your Patrol may communicate only in loud song.
2. Place your Patrol in a straight line, facing left.
3. Have your Patrol members interlock arms.
4. Have your Patrol compose a song about your Scoutmaster or outing leader. Remember the Scout Law - be kind.
5. Keeping your Patrol in this formation, find your Scoutmaster or outing leader, sing him or her your song, while kicking your feet up.