



Induction

Your challenge as a summer camp merit badge counselor is to see that the Scouts who attend your session have the best opportunity to learn about Indian lore. This may be the first merit badge on which the Scouts will be working. It is important that they have a positive experience. This lesson plan is designed to help you plan a logical, high-quality program. You may have to use a slightly different approach in presenting the material based on your camp resources and facilities. Sign off on the requirements as the Scouts complete them.

Resources

Several requirements in this merit badge involve writing; school is out for the summer, so be creative on how Scouts can share the necessary information in those requirements. Be sure to utilize all the resources available to you.

DAY	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
1	Greet Scouts	A. Examine all merit badge cards for the Scoutmaster's signature. Make a roster of the Scouts.
	Review	B. Begin work on three Indian articles. Ask the Scouts to decide which parts of requirement 2 they will do.
	Demonstrate	C. Demonstrate five signs used in Indian sign language, or select another part of requirement 4 for the Scouts to do.
2	Demonstrate	A. Teach Scouts three Indian games and have Scouts teach one of the games to their patrol members back at their campsite.
	Review/Plan	B. Demonstrate five more signs used in Indian sign language or continue work on the other part of requirement 4 started yesterday.
3	Demonstrate	A. Demonstrate five more signs used in Indian sign language or continue work on the other part of requirement 4 started yesterday.
	Demonstrate	B. Demonstrate some Indian-style cooking OR Play three Indian games the Scouts have learned (requirement 3a) OR have Scouts demonstrate Indian-style cooking (3b) OR have Scouts demonstrate how an Indian group acquired meat or fish (requirement 3c).
4	Demonstrate	A. Demonstrate 10 more signs used in Indian sign language or continue work on the other part of requirement 4 started yesterday.
	Note	C. This is the time to make sure that all the Scouts are proceeding on schedule. If it looks like anyone is having a problem completing the merit badge, the Scoutmaster should be notified.

- A. Wrap up all the requirements. Have Scouts present their articles made for requirement 2.
- B. Prepare the merit badge cards for the proper signatures. If any Scout does not complete all the requirements, make sure that his records properly indicate the requirements that he has completed and that the Scout knows why he did not complete the badge requirements.
- C. Submit necessary records to the camp program director.