

NATURE

TROOP MEETING PLAN

Date _____ Week 1

Activity	Description	Run by	Time
Preopening _____ minutes	Have Scouts pick up litter outside the meeting location. Then have a display of edible plants for Scouts to review (<i>Boy Scout Handbook</i>).		
Opening Ceremony _____ minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form troop into a square. • Repeat the Scout Oath and Outdoor Code. • Repeat Pledge of Allegiance. 		
Skills Instruction _____ minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Scouts work on identifying poisonous plants and reptiles in your area, and learn how to treat contact with them. • Experienced Scouts begin plans for a nature hike or conservation project. • Older Scouts work on the Venture/Varsity program or plan a weekend canoe trip. Be sure to review the Safety Afloat rules. 		
Patrol Meetings _____ minutes	Discuss plans for the outing this month and make sure everyone knows their assignments. If it will be an overnight, begin meal planning and patrol duty roster, and make plans for equipment distribution and tentage needs. Any Scouts who have not been camping yet will need some extra help. All other patrols plan activities to work on advancement related to nature and outdoors.		
Interpatrol Activity _____ minutes	Name It (<i>Scoutmaster Handbook</i>)		
Closing _____ minutes Total 90 minutes of meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sing "Taps" • Scoutmaster's Minute • Retire colors 	SM	
After the Meeting	Patrol leaders' council reviews next meeting and plans for the troop campout or outing. Begin work on next month's program feature.		