



Bear Claw

Adventure Goal: Learn use, care, and safety for knives.

Adventure Requirements:

1. Learn about three common designs of pocketknives.
2. Learn knife safety and earn your Whittling Chip. *
3. Do one of the following:
 - a. Using a pocketknife, carve two items.
 - b. With a pocket knife, safely perform each of these tasks:
 - (1) Demonstrate how to cut a piece of rope, twine or fishing line;
 - (2) Open a sealed box without damaging the contents;
 - (3) Open a can with a can opener tool on a pocket knife;
 - (4) Remove and replace the screws on an object with the screw driver tool on a pocket knife;
 - (5) Open a letter.

Ideas for Adventure Requirements:

1. Jackknife, Penknife, Multipurpose Knife are all described in the Bear Handbook.
2. Doing a slow, thorough job of presenting and practicing all the **Whittling Chip** information and skills is crucial. This should take longer than one den meeting.
3. Scouts can practice with soap and a plastic knife, but a real knife is supposed to be used to do this carving.

Additional resources:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ae-kCmjTyBs>

