



## Tiger's in the Wild Requirements

*Complete Requirement 1 through 3 plus at least 1 other*

1. **With your parent, guardian, or other caring adult, name and collect the Cub Scout Six Essentials you need for a hike. Tell your den leader what you would need to add to your list to prepare for rain.**
2. **Go for a short hike with your den or family and carry your own gear. Show you know how to get ready for this hike.**
3.
  - a. **Listen while your leader reads the Outdoor Code. Talk about how you can be clean in your outdoor manners.**
  - b. **Listen while your leader reads the Leave No Trace Principles for Kids. Discuss why you should "Trash Your Trash."**
  - c. **Apply the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace Principles for Kids on your Tiger den and pack outings. After one outing, share what you did to demonstrate the principles you discussed.**
4. **While on the hike, find three different kinds of plants, animals, or signs that animals have been on the trail. List what you saw in your Tiger Handbook.**
5. **Participate in an outdoor pack meeting or pack campfire. Sing a song or act out a skit with your Tiger den as part of the program.**
6. **Find two different trees and two different types of plants that grow in your area. Write their names in your Tiger Handbook.**
7. **Visit a nature center, zoo, or another outside place with your family or den. Learn more about two animals, and write down two interesting things about them in your Tiger Handbook**

### Ideas for Adventure Requirements:

1. Fill a daypack with the following items and have your scout come and blindly pick out one item at a time. have them decide if it should be placed in the 'Useful' or 'Useless' pile of items for a day hike. Items: water bottle, whistle, flashlight, granola bar, first aid kit, sunscreen, bug spray, socks, glove, bandanna, binoculars, rock, deck of cards, paperback book, dollar, bag of marbles, spoon, towel, Legos, toy car, can of pop. Check out the link below for some guidance for yourself!



<http://thesouthernweekend.com/pack-day-hike/>

- How long is a "short" hike? 2 miles per hour is a good pace. Stopping to identify plants and animals will slow you down. So, a 1-mile hike is probably long enough.
- While on your hike, have each scout think of a way the group is following LNT principles. Things like - stayed on the trail, left a flower, didn't run or yell when other hikers were around, picked up some litter, viewed animals from far away.



# The Leave No Trace Seven Principles



## PLAN AHEAD AND PREPARE

- Know the regulations and special concerns for the area you'll visit.
- Prepare for extreme weather, hazards, and emergencies.
- Schedule your trip to avoid times of high use.
- Visit in small groups when possible. Consider splitting larger groups into smaller groups.
- Repackage food to minimize waste.
- Use a map and compass to eliminate the use of marking paint, rock cairns or flagging.



## LEAVE WHAT YOU FIND

- Preserve the past: examine, but do not touch cultural or historic structures and artifacts.
- Leave rocks, plants and other natural objects as you find them.
- Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Do not build structures, furniture, or dig trenches.



## TRAVEL AND CAMP ON DURABLE SURFACES

- Durable surfaces include established trails and campsites, rock, gravel, dry grasses or snow.
- Protect riparian areas by camping at least 200 feet from lakes and streams.
- Good campsites are found, not made. Altering a site is not necessary.
- In popular areas:
  - Concentrate use on existing trails and campsites.
  - Walk single file in the middle of the trail, even when wet or muddy.
  - Keep campsites small. Focus activity in areas where vegetation is absent.
- In pristine areas:
  - Disperse use to prevent the creation of campsites and trails.
  - Avoid places where impacts are just beginning.



## MINIMIZE CAMPFIRE IMPACTS

- Campfires can cause lasting impacts to the environment. Use a lightweight stove for cooking and enjoy a candle lantern for light.
- Where fires are permitted, use established fire rings, fire pans, or mound fires.
- Keep fires small. Only use sticks from the ground that can be broken by hand.
- Burn all wood and coals to ash, put out campfires completely, then scatter cool ashes.



## RESPECT WILDLIFE

- Observe wildlife from a distance. Do not follow or approach them.
- Never feed animals. Feeding wildlife damages their health, alters natural behaviors, and exposes them to predators and other dangers.
- Protect wildlife and your food by storing rations and trash securely.
- Control pets at all times, or leave them at home.
- Avoid wildlife during sensitive times: mating, nesting, raising young, or winter.



## DISPOSE OF WASTE PROPERLY

- Pack it in, pack it out. Inspect your campsite and rest areas for trash or spilled foods. Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Deposit solid human waste in catholes dug 6 to 8 inches deep, at least 200 feet from water, camp and trails. Cover and disguise the cathole when finished.
- Pack out toilet paper and hygiene products.
- To wash yourself or your dishes, carry water 200 feet away from streams or lakes and use small amounts of biodegradable soap. Scatter strained dishwater.



## BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHER VISITORS

- Respect other visitors and protect the quality of their experience.
- Be courteous. Yield to other users on the trail.
- Step to the downhill side of the trail when encountering pack stock.
- Take breaks and camp away from trails and other visitors.
- Let nature's sounds prevail. Avoid loud voices and noises.

4. The lead hiker should keep an eye on the dirt trail for signs of animals or they will get trampled. An early morning hike on a dirt trail, before other visitors arrive, is the best bet for tracks, seeing animals, and practicing social distancing. Birds can typically be viewed all day!
5. Work with the Cubmaster to ensure this event gets planned since all dens have similar advancement requirements. Don't forget to practice your song and your skit a few times at a before going on stage. Suggested Skit:

### **One Bright Morning Skit**

**Notes:**

*This is a monologue poem. It's more fun to tell it in a scary story voice!*

**Script:**

*I come before you, to stand behind you,  
To tell you something I know nothing about.  
Admission is free, so pay at the door;  
Pull up a chair and sit on the floor.*

*Early this morning late last night  
Two ghost soldiers began to fight.  
Back to back they faced each other  
Drew their swords and poked each other.*

*A legless donkey passing by  
Kicked both men right in the eye.  
It knocked them over a 10 foot wall  
Into a ditch and drowned them all.*

*A deaf policeman heard their cries  
And came and saved those two ghost guys.  
If you don't believe this story's true,  
Ask the blind man - he saw it too!*

6. Native trees, rather than planted ornamentals, should be identified. This is easier to do while leaves are on the trees.: <http://forestry.ohiodnr.gov/trees>
7. Tigers could make a game of trying to find the strangest, largest, ugliest, rarest, ... animal to learn about on a zoo's website: <https://www.columbuszoo.org/>