

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE SPECIAL FEATURE

What Are the Needs of an 11-Year-Old? (15 min.)

Learning Objectives	By the end of this session, the Scouter should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify the needs of 11-year-old boys• Explain how Scouting can help meet the needs of boys																
Materials Needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The Official Scoutmaster Handbook</i>, No. 6501• Flip chart, markers, easel																
Introductions	The instructor introduces himself and any faculty members assisting in the presentation.																
Boy Needs	<p>Ask the group to tell what they think are the needs of the 11-year-old boy. List responses on a flip chart. Look for some of the following in the responses:</p> <table><tr><td>fun</td><td>challenge</td></tr><tr><td>organization</td><td>acceptance</td></tr><tr><td>sense of belonging</td><td>to be heard</td></tr><tr><td>security</td><td>recognition</td></tr><tr><td>love</td><td>discipline</td></tr><tr><td>direction</td><td>competition</td></tr><tr><td>adventure</td><td>feel successful</td></tr><tr><td>privacy</td><td>encouragement</td></tr></table> <p>Briefly review chapter 8 in the <i>Scoutmaster Handbook</i> with the group.</p>	fun	challenge	organization	acceptance	sense of belonging	to be heard	security	recognition	love	discipline	direction	competition	adventure	feel successful	privacy	encouragement
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Scouting Meets Needs	All boys have needs that they want satisfied. As one need is satisfied, another appears in its place. The basic needs of food, water, shelter, and warmth, as well as safety and security, are generally supplied at home. Scouting plays a key role in satisfying other needs. Ask the group to list ways that the Scouting program can help meet the needs of the boy. List the responses on a flip chart.																
Summary	Scouting plays a key role in satisfying the need for friends, association with others, relationships, order, sense of belonging, recognition, developing self-respect, independence, confidence, achievement, and growth to the boy's full potential.																
Adjourn	Thank the group for its participation. Adjourn for the next activity.																