

Title: Think Scout – The Puzzle

Section: Beaver & Cub Scouts Place: Indoors Duration: 20 to 30 minutes – may need to be completed over 2-3 meetings Participants: Youth members with facilitation from Scouters	
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SPICES – Learning Objectives Intellectual – Learn to make decisions and choices Emotional – Understand that everybody is unique Character – Understand what injustice, inequality and conflict are Character – Show that I always try to do my best Character – Understand the idea of right and wrong

Overview - Each member will design their own puzzle piece that can be used to create a completed puzzle display in the den to showcase how important each member is. - The main objective of this activity is for youth members to recognise that we are all different and unique but at the same time we are all part of the same group. - It should also create an awareness of equality in that everyone is given the same size piece, and all have the same opportunity to contribute to the overall project.

Activity Objectives - Learn about each other - Recognise how we are all unique and are all important in forming a group - Do you best - Show creativity	Materials - Puzzle pieces - Pens - Pencils - Colouring pencils - Thumb tacks / BluTack / Glue
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Description

- This exercise can be done by the entire section or in smaller group (lodges, sixes, patrols, crews)
- Use a large card to make jigsaw puzzles and cut into enough pieces for each member of the group.
- Give a piece to each member and ask them to design their own piece that tells something about themselves. They can use colours or draw a picture on the jigsaw piece.
- When finished, the pieces should be displayed as a completed puzzle that represents the entire group as a whole.
- If a member is absent, their piece of puzzle can be removed from the completed puzzle to show the other members that everyone is important, and everyone is needed to complete the puzzle.

Tweaks

- For older age group an alternative is to draw a blank Coat of Arms on large sheet of paper and divide it up into equal sections, one for each member of the Group.
- Have each member draw something that they like to do or something that makes them different from the others.

Review

- Did you have fun creating the puzzle piece?
- Did you learn about others?
- Do you feel important?
- Did you learn anything about yourself and things you have in common with others

Notes

The jigsaw or shield can be displayed in your meeting place and can also be used as a visual display for a Parents night.