



Scouting@Home Weekly Challenge



Week 9 Challenges



PERSONAL GROWTH

Party Time

Practice your budgeting skills with this interactive game. It's party time, but with a budget!



OUTDOORS

Packing for Success

While we might not be able to go on camps and hikes at the moment, we want to be ready for when that day comes! Practice your packing skills by assembling a pack for a day hike!



COMMUNITY

Family Ties

Channel your inner historian by exploring your family's history and creating your very own family tree.



CREATIVE

Emoji Codes

Test how well you and a friend can work together by creating your own secret codes using only emojis!



WELLNESS

Feel Good Chatterboxes

Create your own chatterbox and fill it with positive messages of support for yourself and your friends!



Party Time

Challenge Area	 PERSONAL GROWTH
Ages	All
Number of People Required	One

It's time to plan your party, but not how you usually would. Throughout life you have to be wise, especially with your money, so it's time to start learning about the difference between needs and wants. It's party time, but with a budget.

Instructions

1. Visit the Australian Government's Money Smart website [here](#) and read the instructions to plan your party. The website is easy to follow and will ask you questions around the type of party you will have and how many people will come.
2. Think about what you will need at your party and what you might want. This will help you decide on how you will manage your money.
3. Take a screenshot of what you spent your money on.
4. Compare with friends!

Reflection

This task was designed to help you understand the real-world decisions people have to make every day when managing their money. Balancing needs and wants can be a real struggle sometimes. How did you find making decisions and keeping within budget? How can you use these skills in real life, such as when using your pocket money?



Packing for Success

Challenge Area	 OUTDOORS
Ages	Joeys and Cubs
Number of People Required	One

One of our favourite things to do in Scouts and with our families and friends is to spend time outdoors, going on adventures and exploring new places. While we might not be able to go on camps and hikes at the moment, we want to be ready for when that day comes! Preparation and planning is the key to any great day out, so here's an activity to help you get started!

Instructions

1. Imagine you are going on a day hike. Grab a bag you'd usually use for this type of activity, and make a checklist of the things you'd pack.
2. Using your list, gather the items and pack them in your bag.
3. Compare your packed bag to the list you made. Is there anything you couldn't find around the house? If so, try and think of alternative options and find what you can around the house.
4. Take a photo of all your items and compare it with a friend's!

Reflection

Preparing for any activity, whether it's a day out hiking, an overnight camp or a meeting at the Hall, is important. What skills did you learn, and how can you use them the next time you go on an activity, whether it's at Scouts, at school or somewhere else?



Family Ties

Challenge Area	 COMMUNITY
Ages	All
Number of People Required	The more the merrier!

Australia is home to over 25 million people, from all walks of life. We know our Scouting community is beautifully diverse, and full of amazing stories. Here's your opportunity to dig a little deeper and explore your family's history!

Instructions

1. Talk with older members of your family – this could include your mum, dad, aunty, uncle or grandparent and learn about your family history.
2. Ask them to tell you about their childhood - what they can personally remember or stories that have been passed along to them.
3. Ask them lots of questions – Where were they born? Do/did they have brothers and sisters? What are/were their names? What are/were their parents' names? What country did they originate from, and how did they (or their ancestors) come to live in Australia? If English wasn't their first language, how did they learn? How was their experience moving to Australia and learning about the Australian culture? If you have Aboriginal ancestors, ask them about their experiences and their familial ties.
4. Make sure you listen carefully, and record what you find out by writing it down, recording a video or retelling the stories in an audio recording. Always ask for permission from your family member before you record anything!
5. Using your findings, create your own family tree, with you at the bottom and branches extending up and out to include your relatives. Start with the family members that you live with plus your grandparents. Draw each person and write down their relationship to you. For an extra challenge, include your extended family including aunts, uncles and cousins. Draw each person and arrange the branches in a way that shows the relationships between people.
6. At your next meeting, present your family tree to your Unit and tell them about your family ties.

Reflection

Researching and creating a family tree is a great way for you to connect with relatives, get an understanding of where you've come from and learn about different places and different times. This task also helped you learn important research skills that could help you at school or study other areas of history.

Emoji Codes

Challenge Area	
Ages	All
Number of People Required	Two

There are many ways that people can communicate, and we want to you to try and create your own. Test how well you and a friend can work together, by creating your own secret code using only emojis!

Instructions

1. Pair up with a friend and decide on a theme for your secret emoji codes. This could include your favourite movies, books, popular catchphrases and more!
2. List different titles/messages etc. for your friend to guess.
3. Think about how you can express these using only emoji clues. For example, if you chose movies and wanted to send them The Lion King, you could do:



[Here](#) are some other great examples!

4. Send your friend a list of the emoji clues and challenge them to figure out what they mean!

Reflection

Designed to challenge your creativity and ability to interpret, we wanted you and a friend to connect through code! Did you guess the code your friend developed, and did they guess yours? If you had to describe this challenge using one emoji, what would it be?



Feel Good Chatterboxes

Challenge Area	 WELLNESS
Ages	Joeys and Cubs
Number of People Required	A small group

Create your own chatterbox and fill it with positive messages of support for yourself and your friends!

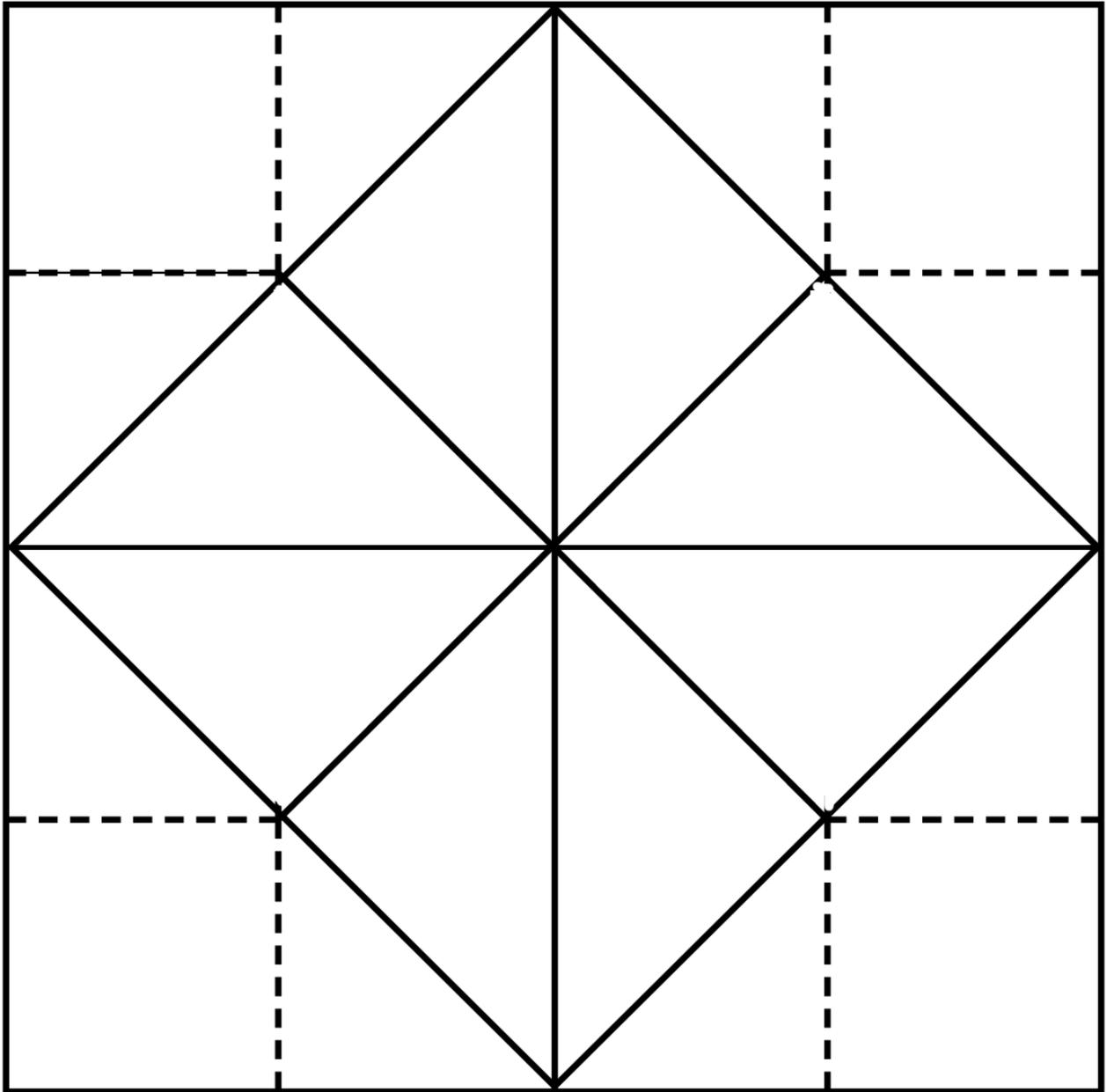
Instructions

1. Before you start anything, you will need your materials. You can either download and print out a template [here](#) or use any plain square piece of paper to create a chatterbox.
2. Use the template or follow the instructions [here](#) to make your chatterbox.
3. On the inside of your chatterbox, write down 8 pieces of advice or a way you might cheer someone up if you see they are sad or feeling down. Think about things that help calm you down or make you feel better if you've had a bad day. You could think about good advice such as 'take five deep breaths'.
4. Colour in or decorate your chatterbox.
5. Practice using your chatterbox.
6. Meet up with a group of friends online and take turns to use your chatterboxes and read out what ideas you came up. Each person should have their own chatterbox and use it to give their friends some encouragement and advice.
7. Between yourselves, create a list of the best ideas!

Reflection

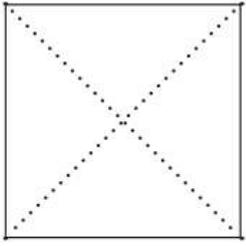
This activity helps you think of ways to boost your mood and feel more confident. Sometimes people don't feel great, and that's okay – but it can be really helpful to have some ideas to go back to that we know can cheer us up.

Feel Good Chatterbox Template

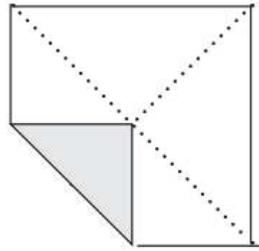


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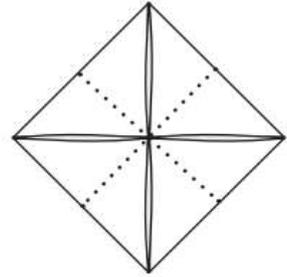
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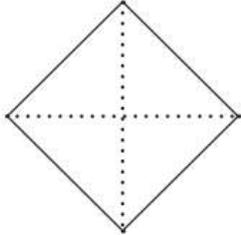
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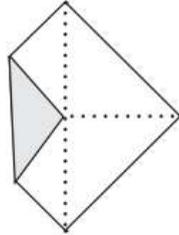
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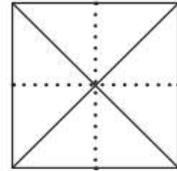
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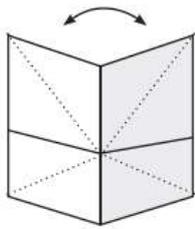
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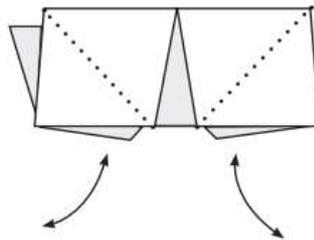
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Now fold your paper in half vertically and horizontally



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Finished!

