

THE BOBCAT TRAIL

To earn the Bobcat Badge each new scout must complete these eight steps for Akela:

1. Learn and say the **Cub Scout Promise** and complete the Honesty Character Connection:

**I (your name) promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people, and
To obey the Law of the Pack.**

Honesty Character Connection:

Know: Discuss these questions with your family. What is a promise? What does it mean to "keep your word?" What does honesty mean? What does it mean to "do your best?"

Commit: Discuss these questions with your family. Why is a promise important? Why is it important for people to trust you when you give your word? When might it be difficult to keep your word? List examples.

Practice: Discuss with family members why it is important to be trustworthy and honest and how can you do your best to be honest when you are doing the activities in Cub Scouting.

2. Say the **Law of the Pack**. Tell what it means:

**The Cub Scout follows Akela.
The Cub Scout helps the pack go.
The pack helps the Cub Scout Grow.
The Cub Scout gives goodwill.**

Meaning:

The Cub Scout follows Akela (Ah-KAY-la)...

Akela is a good and trusted leader. Your mother or father is Akela. Your Cubmaster, Den Leader, or school teacher is an Akela.

The Cub Scout helps the pack go...

Come to all the meetings. Do what you can to help. Think of others in the pack.

The Pack helps the Cub Scout grow...

You can have fun when you are part of a pack. Learn from others. Do things with the help of the pack.

The Cub Scout gives goodwill...

Smile, be happy and friendly. Do things that make others happy. Help in your community, by doing things for those who need help. Little things help, too.

3. Tell what **WEBELOS** means:

WEBELOS means "We'll be loyal Scouts."

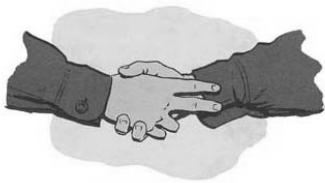
WEBELOS is the step between Cub Scout and Boy Scout, so the WEBELOS program helps the scout to become a loyal Boy Scout.

4. Show the **Cub Scout Sign**. Tell what it means:



The Cub Scout Sign is made by holding the right arm up high with your first two fingers held up and apart, to represent a wolf's ears at attention. The two fingers also represent two parts of the Cub Scout Promise "to help other people" and "to obey." The Sign is used as a symbol of listening and paying attention. Hold up the Cub Scout Sign when saying The Cub Scout Promise and The Law Of The Pack. If an Akela holds up the Cub Scout sign, all scouts should get quiet and come to attention.

5. Show the **Cub Scout Handshake**:



Using your right hand, place your first two fingers along the inside of the other person's wrist. This hand shake is used at Pack Meetings when receiving any awards.

6. Say the **Cub Scout Motto**:

"Do Your Best"

A motto is a principle or guideline you live by.

7. Give the **Cub Scout Salute**. Tell what it means:



Point the first two fingers of your right hand out straight and close together. Touch the tips of the fingers to your cap or if not wearing a cap then to your eyebrow. A salute is a way to show respect. When you salute a leader (either adult or other scout), you show him or her that you respect their position. When you salute the flag, you show that you are proud of your country.

8. With your parent or guardian, complete the exercises in the booklet,
How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse.

Scout Name: _____ Date Completed: _____ Akela Initials: _____