

INDIAN LORE MERIT BADGE WORKBOOK

This Scoutmaster Bucky Merit Badge Workbook is based off the current *Scouts BSA Requirements*.

Consider also using the Indian Lore merit badge class preparation page for clarification and expectations when participating in a Scoutmaster Bucky merit badge opportunity ([online](#) or [in-person](#)).

<https://scoutmasterbucky.com/merit-badges/indian-lore/>

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REQUIREMENT 1: Identify the different American Indian cultural areas. Explain what makes them each unique.

REQUIREMENT 2: Give the history of one American Indian tribe, group, or nation that lives or has lived near you. Visit it, if possible. Tell about traditional dwellings, way of life, tribal government, religious beliefs, family and clan relationships, language, clothing styles, arts and crafts, food preparation, means of getting around, games, customs in warfare, where members of the group now live, and how they live.

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REQUIREMENT 3: Do TWO of the following. Focus on a specific group or tribe.

REQUIREMENT 3 A: Make an item of clothing worn by members of the tribe.

REQUIREMENT 3 B: Make and decorate three items used by the tribe, as approved by your counselor.

Completed

REQUIREMENT 3 C: Make an authentic model of a dwelling used by an Indian tribe, group, or nation.

Completed

REQUIREMENT 3 D: Visit a museum to see Indian artifacts. Discuss them with your counselor. Identify at least 10 artifacts by tribe or nation, their shape, size, and use.



REQUIREMENT 4: Do ONE of the following:

REQUIREMENT 4 A: Learn three games played by a group or tribe. Teach and lead one game with a Scout group.

Taught and led one game

REQUIREMENT 4 B: Learn and show how a tribe traditionally cooked or prepared food. Make three food items.

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REQUIREMENT 4 C: Give a demonstration showing how a specific Indian group traditionally hunted, fished, or trapped.

Completed

REQUIREMENT 5: Do ONE of the following:

REQUIREMENT 5 A: Write or briefly describe how life might have been different for the European settlers if there had been no native Americans to meet them when they came to this continent.

REQUIREMENT 5 B: Sing two songs in an Indian language. Explain their meanings.

Sang two songs

The meanings of the songs

REQUIREMENT 5 C: Learn in an Indian language at least 25 common terms and their meanings.



REQUIREMENT 5 G: Learn 25 Indian place names. Tell their origins and meanings.

Completed

REQUIREMENT 5 H: Name five well-known American Indian leaders, either from the past or people of today. Give their tribes or nations. Describe what they did or do now that makes them notable.

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REQUIREMENT 5 I: Attend a contemporary American Indian gathering. Discuss with your counselor what you learned and observed. Include in your discussion any singing, dancing, drumming, and the various men's and women's dance styles you saw.

Attended gathering

What you observed

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