

TROOP 285 SCOUTMASTER CONFERENCE

Tenderfoot

The Tenderfoot Rank is the first step along the Trail to Eagle. It is important that each Scout have a solid foundation as he begins his journey. The focus of the rank is an introduction to the ideals and philosophy of the Scouting program and an introduction to the basic Scout skills. Be prepared to discuss the following with the Scoutmaster:

A) BOY SCOUT HISTORY

1. The Industrial Revolution caused a major transformation of society in the late 19th century, which, in part, inspired the creation of the Scouting program. Research this subject and describe it.
2. Research the early history of Scouting. Tell some interesting facts about Ernest Thompson Seton and Daniel Carter Beard.
3. How did the Scouting program come to America?

B) BOY SCOUT PHILOSOPHY

1. What is philosophy?
2. What is symbolism?
3. Describe some of the symbolism used in the Scouting program.
4. What is an oath?
5. What is Honor?
6. What does being “morally straight” mean?

7. Explain in your own words each point of the Scout Law.

8. Describe some of the symbolism from our Native Americans in the Scouting program.

A) FIRST AID

1. Describe preventative measures and care for blisters on the feet.

B) NOTES:

This conference generally requires an hour for discussion. Parents should review the information thoroughly with the scout prior to the conference.

Scouts should use the dictionary, encyclopedia, and other reference materials as needed for the responses.

The Scout may provide the responses on a separate sheet if he needs more room than provided by the form.

Refer to the Scout Handbook for question #7. The Scout should know key phrases for each point of the Scout Law.

The Scout must bring the correct socks and a sample of moleskin to the conference.

When you have completed all of the written responses, give them to the Scoutmaster for review. If acceptable, the Scoutmaster will then schedule a conference for oral discussion.

SCOUT:

PARENT:

DATE:
