

Week One

Your Cub Scout knife is an important tool.

You can do many things with its blades. The cutting blade is the one you will use most of the time. With it you can make shavings and chips and carve all kinds of things.

You must be very careful and think when you whittle or carve. Take good care of your knife. Always remember that a knife is a tool, not a toy. Use it with care so that you don't hurt yourself or spoil what you are carving.

- * Know the safety rules for handling a knife
- * Know how to sharpen a knife. A sharp knife is safer because it is less likely to slip and cut you.
- * Keep the blade clean.
- * Never carry an open knife in your hand.
- * When you are not using a knife, close it and put it away.
- * Keep your knife dry.
- * When you are using the cutting blade, do not try to make big shavings or chips. Easy does it.
- * Knives are not toys!
- * Close the blade with the palm of your hand.
- * A knife should never be used on something that will dull or break it
- * Be careful that you do not cut yourself or any person nearby.
- * A knife should never be used to strip the bark from a tree.
- * Do not carve your initials into anything that does not belong to you.

Week One - Test your knowledge

You should close the blade with the palm of your hand

True False

A knife is just a toy.

True False

It's okay to keep your knife wet.

True False

A dull knife is more likely to slip and cut you.

True False

You should carry your open knife in your pocket.

True False

Carving your initials into a tree is okay.

True False

Week Two:

Owning a Knife brings the Responsibility of knowing when to carry it and when to use it:

When do you can your carry a knife?

School? NO, no, absolutely no.

Travel? Air would be no. Never use a knife in a moving vehicle.

Camping? Check the rules of the camp or event.

Pack Meeting? It would never be used around other children.

Selling?

Other times?

Cover the parts of a knife and uses for the different parts.

knife blade – whittling and cutting

flat-head screwdriver and cap lifter – prying, screws, can opener and bottle opener

punch blade – creates wholes in soft material like leather or wood

Week two – Pocketknife Pledge (fill in the blanks):

I understand the reason for _____ rules.

I will treat my pocketknife with the _____ due a useful tool.

I will always _____ my pocketknife and put it away when not in use.

I will not use my pocketknife when it might _____ someone near me.

I _____ never to throw my pocketknife for any reason.

I will use my pocketknife in a safe manner at _____ times.

close respect injure promise all safety

Week 3

Hands on for the First Time

Sharpening a Knife:

Parents permission slip returned (sent home week two) for the boys to handle knives.

Week 4

Do fruit and soap carvings

We hope to be able to work these in over the next four den meetings. Each boy must be at the meeting or make up the lesson to be able to move to the next week.