

Scouting at Home



What Can You Do in a Virtual Meeting?

While you don't need to use meeting time for snack or clean up, you can still do some or all of the other parts of a traditional meeting.

The Arrival Activity: (5 minutes) Consider having a WELCOME QUESTION on the screen to answer either in the chat box or on screen if you enable the annotation tool.

Opening Ceremony: (1 minute) Have a Patrol Leader or Unit Leader welcome everyone to the meeting and start the night.

Updates: (5 minutes) You can share any news here.

As you get used to Scouting virtually, this could be a good time for your Scouts (collective) to share what Scouting they have done since you last meet, and how they are going with some of the bigger 'challenges' they might be working on/towards.

An Activity: (12 minutes) This is a great time to get started or work on program and achievements! Think about what you can send the day before or the morning of the meeting so that they can come in prepared to interact. That helps you make the most of your time.

Here are some ideas to get started:

- **Get silly:** Play charades, Taboo, or Pictionary. Have a scavenger hunt for silly items that might be around the house.
- **Get the wiggles out:** Do yoga or have a dance party together.
- **Get artistic:** Draw portraits of one another and share.
- **Explore STEM:** Create a race car from found materials. Share favorite recipes and send them out for others to try. Create a cookbook. Have a Top Chef Challenge. Share science experiments.
- **Learn more about each other:** Share best and worst things that happened today (Roses and Thorns).
- **For Scouts:** Watch a TED Talk and discuss. Create your own videos.

Remember: You can screen share, so anything that you can put on your screen can be shared – like videos, pictures, and more.

Closing: (5 minutes) Be creative! How would you and your Scouts like to end the night? Is it a moment to reflect, to be thankful, to appreciate what we have and what we can do? Ask ahead, and allow each Scout the opportunity to contribute - maybe you have two Scouts who do this each week, rotating through the section.