



Champions for Nature

Cub Scouts · Elective · Lion rank

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Champions for Nature helps you learn how to care for our planet. You'll find out what nature gives us, how different kinds of trash are different, and how recycling works. Then you'll help with a project that makes your world cleaner.

Requirements

Every official requirement, in plain language. Check the official wording when you sign off (scouting.org/cub-scout-adventures/champions-for-nature-lion/). Tips and examples are ideas, not extra requirements.

☐ 1 Learn how natural resources differ from human-made items

Tip: Go on a hunt at home: put a leaf, rock, or apple in one pile and a plastic toy or spoon in another.

Example: Sort a pile on the table: a leaf, an apple, and a rock in the nature pile; a plastic spoon, a crayon, and a sock in the people-made pile. Talk about how a crayon is made from things that started in nature.

☐ 2 Learn how organic, paper, plastic, metal, and glass waste differ

Tip: Look in the kitchen trash and recycling with your adult to find food scraps, paper, plastic, metal, and glass, and talk about how they differ.

Example: Banana peels and apple cores are organic and can turn back into soil in a compost pile. Paper can be recycled into new paper. Plastic bottles and metal cans can be melted down and made into new things, and glass can be melted and made into new jars.

☐ **3 Find out about recycling**

Tip: Follow the recycling at your home: where does it go after pickup? Ask your adult or visit a recycling center.

Example: Follow the recycling: it goes in the bin, the truck picks it up, and a sorting center separates paper, metal, plastic, and glass. Then factories turn it into new things.

☐ **4 Take part in a conservation service project**

Tip: Join a cleanup at a park or school, or help plant something, wearing gloves and staying with your grown-up.

Example: Join your den at a park cleanup. Wear gloves, pick up litter with a grabber, and put cans and bottles in a separate bag for recycling. Count your bags at the end.