

TROOP 81
TENDERFOOT LEVEL

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. What are BSA's "Three R's" concerning sexual abuse?
Answer: Recognize, Resist, and Report any and all sexual abuse to a responsible adult.
2. What should you do if you come in contact with poison ivy?
Answer: The exposed area should be washed immediately with soap and water.
3. What do the two stars represent on the Scout Badge?
Answer: Truth and Knowledge
4. How is the U.S. Flag raised and lowered on a flagpole?
Answer: The flag should be raised briskly and lowered slowly with dignity and respect.
5. Who was the founder of the Boy Scout movement?
Answer: Lord Robert Baden-Powell, a British military leader, conceived the idea of Boy Scouts in 1907.
6. Why do Boy Scouts use the "buddy system"?
Answer: The buddy system is used primarily for safety reasons. If a scout needs help, his buddy is always nearby. Another reason is for immediate accountability of every scout.
7. Why should you never eat or keep food in your tent?
Answer: Wild animals can smell food from a long distance and your tent won't stop them from reaching a meal. The smell of any food will stay with your tent long after the food is removed.
8. While backpacking, where should you keep your pocketknife and whistle?
Answer: Your knife goes in your pocket and whistle around your neck.
9. What are the outdoor essentials?
Answer: The outdoor essentials are 14 items that every scout must have on every outing.
10. How much should your backpack weigh?
Answer: Backpacks should weigh no more than 25 percent of your own body weight. For example, if you weigh 100 pounds, your pack should weigh no more than 25 pounds.
11. What is the first duty of the camp cook?
Answer: Anyone who handles food should first wash their hands with soap and water.
12. What is the only source of light allowed in tents?
Answer: Battery powered lamps and flashlights are the only approved illumination devices allowed.
Never have a flame in a tent!
13. Which items should be quickly accessible in your backpack?
Answer: Always pack these items handy: First aid kit, rain gear, map & compass, water bottle, and emergency kit.
14. What should you do if you become lost in the woods?
Answer: *Don't Panic and Stay Put!* Make yourself easily visible and sound the universal distress call (three blasts) often with your whistle.

15. What is a Board of Review?
Answer: Each scout must be individually reviewed before each rank advancement. This is done by a panel of adults who interview the scout and has the final approval for the promotion.
16. What are "Reveille and Taps"?
Answer: These are names of bugle calls for wake-up and lights-out.
17. Where is the rank insignia displayed on the Boy Scout uniform?
Answer: The patch is sewn on the left breast pocket.
18. What is Troop 81's logo?
Answer: The Phoenix is the troop's logo. It is a mythical Egyptian bird that rose from the ashes and had a rebirth. The troop's "re-birthday" was November 26, 1991.
19. Why do Scouts use a left-handed handshake?
Answer: The hand closest to the heart is used to symbolize honesty and sincerity.
20. What organization sponsors Troop 81?
Answer: Maryville First United Methodist Church
21. How can blisters be prevented?
Answer: Prevent blisters by wearing properly sized footwear and cushioning socks. If a "hot spot" develops, stop hiking and apply moleskin to the area to provide additional cushioning.
22. Why are backpacking fuel bottles painted red?
Answer: The red color indicates a fuel bottle, *not a water bottle*.
23. Why treat first degree burns with cold water?
Answer: The cold water will draw away the painful heat from the burn.
24. What is an emergency kit?
Answer: This is a compact collection of useful items, such as extra batteries, bulb, fish hook & line, sewing kit, etc., that you should always pack with you. Use these items in emergencies and not routinely.
25. What's the purpose of a tent ground cloth?
Answer: A tent ground cloth, which is really a plastic sheet, is used basically for two reasons: it provides a moisture barrier between the ground and the tent; and it serves as protection to the tent from ground abrasions.
26. What items should you always bring to troop meetings?
Answer: Your Scout Handbook, Scout notebook, paper, and pen/pencil are required at every troop meeting.
27. Troop 81 is located in what district?
Answer: Our troop is in the Tuckaleechee District, which is one of ten districts of the Great Smoky Mountain Council.
28. How should your patrol safely hike a roadway?
Answer: Walk in a single file on the left side of the road facing any on-coming traffic.

29. When are the troop dues collected?

Answer: The annual Troop 81 dues of \$24 per scout are collected in November..

30. Why do Scouts say "*thank you*" when passing a knife or ax?

Answer: "*Thank you*" is a password which means that the receiving person has a firm grasp on the knife or ax and the giving person can release it.

31. When whipping the ends of a rope, how wide should be whipping be?

Answer: The whip should be as wide as the rope is thick.

32. What is the three test of a good knot?

Answer: A good knot should be easy to tie, stay tied, and easy to untie.