

SPARK CLUE HUNT

AN INSTANT MEETING FOR SPARKS FROM THE BC PROGRAM COMMITTEE

This will take one meeting. If the park or trail is within walking distance of your meeting place then the starting point could be your regular meeting place. If the park or trail is farther then you may wish to arrange to meet at the park or trail. You may want to ask for parent helpers to assist you at this meeting.

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Meeting Plan

Before the meeting: Prior to heading out on the clue hunt, the clues need to be posted along the trail or in the park.

5 min: Spark Opening
50 min: Clue Hunt
5 min: Spark Closing

Program Connections

Going Outside Keeper

60 minute meeting. Approximate activity times shown.

Meeting Supplies

- "treasure bags" for each Spark, such as sparkly drawstring bags made by a parent or Guider, a plastic storage bag or brown paper lunch bag. The bags need to be large enough to hold all the "treasures" the Sparks will find during the treasure hunt.
- seven pink post-it notes in the shape of a T-Shirt or flower. They need to be large enough to write on.
- small "treasures" from the Dollar Store such as shaped erasers, stickers, pencils and rings (one of each per Spark).

Clue Hunt

Preparation

Prior to heading out on the clue hunt, the clues need to be posted along the trail or in the park.

One post-it note will have the Spark Promise written on it and the other six will each have one letter spelling out "Sparks". These post-it notes will be placed along the trail in random order for the girls to find and give them clues to the mystery word.

At each clue spot there should be "treasure" for the girls to find and put into their treasure bags. You may wish to place the treasures in a small plastic tote or bag so the treasures can be placed on the ground below the clues. This can be done by one Guider during Opening.

Directions

1. Ask the girls to take note of their surroundings while on a walk.
2. If you have a large Sparks unit you may want to split the group into two groups and send one group off first; the second group follows a few minutes later.
3. Once all the clues and treasures have been found, have the girls meet back at the beginning point to try and solve the mystery and discuss what they saw along the walk.
4. The clues spell out the word SPARKS when put in the correct order and the seventh clue is the Spark Promise.
5. Take a moment to discuss what the Sparks observed along the trail and what Sparks means to them.