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Scouting the Midway

Splish Splash Puzzle

By York-Adams Area Council

This puzzle contains words and phrases related to Water Fun and Safety. See how many words you can find.

PRE OPENING ACTIVITIES

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Prehistoric Arts & Crafts

Fossils, Fossils and more Fossils
(Interesting note: the word 'fossil' comes from the Latin word 'fodere' which means 'to dig up')

Pasta Fossils

- You need:
Potting Soil
White Glue
Misc. Macaroni
Zip-Lock Bag
Paper or Plastic Plate
Foam Brush

Instructions:
Put macaroni into a zip-lock bag and close. Break up macaroni by stepping on the bag. With hands, mix several tablespoons of glue into 1½ cups of potting soil. Continue adding glue until dirt holds together. Mold into a ball. Press out soil ball on plate to 1/2" thick. Arrange macaroni pieces on soil to look like a dinosaur skeleton. Press pieces in. Brush a coat of white glue over entire surface. Let dry overnight. Remove from plate.

Source:
<http://www.makingfriends.com/dinofosl.htm>

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R C C K P P P N G Z P T T T E G C V H B
M T Y Y J E G T I N P L G E Z H R M G X
P N U S K S K T A F F W N W F I M O W M
Q K K P Q W N A F O R U I Z O Y C M I A
B M A R C O P O L O B U H D G B Q F Y T
Z K G I H K D L O Y J L S M R U Y N X X
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F B F I P H J S O Y A I E I H E A L J G
J C G W T I D L E B Z S G I O M S W Q S
B R M U P A P B W K W F U N F U N F U N
X I N V Q M O C E J Q O A G R P A R V R
V Q C U V W K B R Z V C R B L M U L C W
Q A J H W C M E J O R F D A F G Z W B K

Words for the Splish Splash Puzzle

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|--------------|---------------|-------------|
| BOATING | SPRINKLERS | SURFING |
| FISHING | FLOATING | FUN FUN FUN |
| LIFEGUARD | MARCO POLO | MEMORY LAKE |
| OBEY RULES | PFD | ROW BOAT |
| SAFETY | CANOE | SAIL BOAT |
| SAILING | SAFETY AFLOAT | |
| BUDDY SYSTEM | | |

ANSWERS TO SPLISH SPLASH PUZZLE

X G Z D S G G Y O I P A N J U B Z W S E
 R C C K P P P N G Z P T T T E G C V A B
 M T Y Y J E G T I N P L G E Z H R M F X
 P N U S K S K T A F F W N W F I M O E M
 Q K K P Q W N A F O R U I Z O Y C M T A
 B M A R C O P O L O B U H D G B Q F Y T
 Z K G I H K D L O Y J L S M R U Y N X X
 X T W N K N O F A L R R I W U D F P A L
 D J A K L U A A T H L O F A M D S W X F
 M D P L N Z H Y I X R A M T S Y G X P G
 N B G E E E D T N B G T B E J S N S S Q
 Y C N R O W M E G F H A L R M Y I N O L
 K G A S X A T F R B J U I S E S L Z O M
 C Y N O Y X D A I M R T F K D T I Y T J
 F B F I P H J S O Y A I E I H E A L J G
 J C G W T I D L E B Z S G I O M S W Q S
 B R M U P A P B W K W F U N F U N F U N
 X I N V Q M O C E J Q O A G R P A R V R
 V Q C U V W K B R Z V C R B L M U L C W
 Q A J H W C M E J O R F D A F G Z W B K

Candy Critters

California Inland Empire Council

You Will Need:

- Shoestring licorice
- Twist licorice
- LifeSavers candies
- Tiny candies, such as M&M's Minis
- Semicircular candies
- Frosting



1. To make the caterpillars, cut a length of string licorice a little longer than you want the caterpillars to be.
 2. Then strung on the LifeSavers candies and knotted each end.
 3. For legs, they tied on shorter pieces of licorice; for eyes, then attach two tiny candies with frosting.
- To make the butterflies, attach two semicircular candies with frosting to form the wings. Then add a tiny candy body, licorice antennae, and M&M's Minis spot.

Goldfish Pin

Take a large cork and cut it in half lengthwise. Glue an orange pipe cleaner around the edge, then bend to make tail. Glue on wiggle eye and draw on mouth and scales with a permanent marker. Glue on pin.



Neighborhood Rocks: Mock Rock

<http://www.saltthesandbox.org/rocks/mockrock.htm>

Mock rock is pretend rock (kind of like play dough, but with sand in it). We make mock rock, bury stuff in it -- polished rocks, fossils, whatever -- then dig out the stuff.

Recipe. We adapted this recipe for mock rock from one used at the University of Kansas Natural History Museum. To make a couple of tennis ball-sized chunks of mock sandstone rock, we used these ingredients:

- 1 cup flour
- 1/2 cup salt
- 2 teaspoons alum
- 1 cup coarse sand
- 1/2 cup water
- 5 drops red food color
- 3 drops blue food color
- 3 drops yellow food color

The alum is a preservative to prevent mold. If we add more sand, the mock rock is easier to chip.

Mix. First, we mixed the dry ingredients in a bowl. Then we added the food coloring to the water. We poured some water into the dry ingredients and started kneading the "rock dough" by hand. Then we slowly added more water until it felt like play dough. Add rocks. We wrapped pieces of the dough around polished rocks, smoothed out the "rocks," then set them on cookie pans to dry.

(We also could have added fossils, coins, or anything else that's hard and water-proof). Dry. It took a week for larger pieces to dry all the way through. We turned the rocks every day so they would dry evenly.

Dig. To dig out the polished rocks, we soaked our mock rocks in water for a minute or two. Then we used our fingers to break up the rock and large nails to scrape off extra mock rock. (We had blunted the nail points with a file). Once the polished rocks were out of the mock rock, we soaked them in soapy water for a few minutes and then scrubbed them with a toothbrush.

Suggestion: If you use the unpolished rocks and then use a rock tumbler you could try to identify the rocks for Geologist requirements.

Dinosaur fossil tie slide

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Plaster of Paris

Sand

¾ inch PVC ring

Daisy sour cream container

Acrylic paints

Small plastic dinosaur

Spray release for baking I used a Daisy sour cream container because the diameter matched the length of my plastic dinosaur. Plaster is heavy when set and you will want to make the smallest possible size. Cut the container so that it is only 2 inches deep. Put enough sand in the bottom, and put in the PVC ring, so that the ring is 2/3 in the sand and 1/3 sticking out. If you do not have sand readily available, then dirt, flour or uncooked quick oatmeal would probably work. Mix a small amount of plaster with water so that it is the consistency of pudding. I used about 1 ½ cups plaster and about ½ cup water to make 2 fossils at a time. Pour into the container over the sand. Spray one side of the dinosaur with baking release spray. An oil mister will also work. Put the sprayed side down into the plaster. Pull out the plastic dinosaur when the plaster starts to set up but is still a little soft. If you wait too long, the dinosaur will get stuck and may break apart the plaster when you pry it out. Let the plaster set and release it by pushing up on the bottom of the container. Clean off the sand with a toothbrush. Use acrylic paints to paint your dinosaur fossil.



Ring Toss

You will need

3 or more plastic food lids

6 sheets of different colored copy paper –

2 of each color

2 empty paper towel rolls

3 colors of narrow ribbon

Craft glue stick

Safety scissors

1 sheet of foam core

Cellophane tape

Utility knife



1. Cut a piece of foam core to measure 16 1/2 inches by 20 inches.

2. Print out the numbered circle templates onto the three different colors of paper.

3. Use scissors to cut the paper towel rolls into 4 inch high pieces.

4. Trim each of the remaining pieces of colored copy paper to 4 inches by 4 inches and wrap around each empty paper towel tube. Secure with cellophane tape or glue.

5. Cut 3 pieces of ribbon into 8 inches lengths and spiral them around each tube. Secure with cellophane tape or glue.

6. Cut out each numbered circle and position it onto the foam core. Secure with a glue stick.

7. Use cellophane tape or glue to secure each covered tube to the center of each circle.

8. Cut out the center portion of the food lids with a utility knife, leaving a 4 inch wide ring. These are the rings for the Ring Toss Game.

Sponge Ball Tic Tac Toe

Land 3 balls in a diagonal, vertical or horizontal line Cut a 12" x 12" x 12" cardboard box down to 4" in height. Keep extra cardboard. Cut four strips of cardboard 11 3/4" x 3". These will be used to make the squares for the balls to land in.

Interlock the four strips of cardboard and place

inside box as shown

in the picture. Using the

extra cardboard, cut

three 12" x 8" pieces

and slide each piece

down into the box along

each side, leaving the

front side open. Bend each



panel. Cut triangular pieces to fit into the corners between the panels and tape them to the panels. This will keep the balls inside the box and will also hold the top pieces in place at an angle. Using a marker or crayon, label the game as shown in the picture and have fun!

Player is given 4 sponge balls to throw in the box. To be a winner, 3 balls must land in either a diagonal, vertical or horizontal line. Adjust distance from the target according to the age level of the player.

Variation: A play area can be very easy to make and set up as a substitute for creating a box. Simply lay down tape on carpet or hard floor for the squares.

Opening

<http://www.geocities.com/meadfamily/cubrockthome.htm>

Flag Opening Ceremony

Equipment: Small U. S. flag, electric fan, spotlight, tape cassette or record of "The Star Spangled Banner" and player.

Personnel: Cubmaster and one Cub Scout. The flag is centered on the head table. Place a spotlight in position to pick up only the flag, the Cubmaster, and the boy. Conceal the electric fan nearby in position to make the flag ripple in the breeze. Extinguish room lights. Start the fan and turn on the spotlight.

Cubmaster: "Cub Scouts and parents following the playing of our National Anthem, we will have a moment of silent prayer." (After the anthem, pause for 15 seconds.)

Cubmaster: "Cub Scout of Den will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance." (Cub Scout calls, 'Hand salute!' and leads pledge.)



Scouting
Denver Area Council

V Q W Q S O W Z O X G V I C V
 Y N G B R J A O R L Q K U F U
 T Y G Z E Q E H L E J B E Y K
 N L Y S D E B O O V M Q C M B
 S A U N A E V M A A E T P E B
 V O V E E A D X S Z Y S A I N
 S Z L D L L B T Z S H R W T X
 F B G E F C E E W L S I V C T
 N U U H B R B U D D I E S L I
 T L N C P E C A M P Z C U J G
 A L E K A E W P P V E F K U E
 W A R W A R P T Q D P C Q W R
 W A Q H T C A B L L A Q Q X S
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| Akela | Bears | Buddies |
| Camp | Cubmaster | Cubs |
| Dens | Fun | Helpful |
| Leaders | Pack | Scouting |
| Tigers | Webelos | Wolves |

Answers to Scouting

V Q W Q S O W Z O X G V I C V
 Y N G B R J A O R L Q K U F U
 T Y G Z E Q E H L E J B E Y K
 N L Y S D E B O O V M Q C M B
 S A U N A E V M A A E T P E B
 V O V E E A D X S Z Y S A I N
 S Z L D L L B T Z S H R W T X
 F B G E F C E E W L S I V C T
 N U U H B R B U D D I E S L I
 T L N C P E C A M P Z C U J G
 A L E K A E W P P V E F K U E
 W A R W A R P T Q D P C Q W R
 W A Q H T C A B L L A Q Q X S
 G N I T U O C S E P N T L D Z
 G M O K H A R H J V L M U X H

Fin Fun College 101

California Inland Empire Council

Cubmaster: Enter pack meeting room in a long laboratory coat over slacks that are easy to remove, holding a clipboard, and carrying a briefcase.

(Wearing socks and slip on shoes, the Cubmaster has on Beach clothes under the lab coat.)

Cubmaster: Welcome to our Water 101 college pack meeting. I am Professor Cubmaster and I hope that you are all prepared to listen closely and take notes. We are here today to learn about a very important substance, H₂O, otherwise known as water. Now the first thing we will study is the molecular structure.

Pack Committee Chair: (Runs in to interrupt Cubmaster.) Excuse me, Professor Cubmaster, but tonight's pack meeting is Fin Fun, not Water 101.

Cubmaster: Oh, but I'm sure my secretary told me about a Water 101 lecture I was to give today.

(Consults pocket calendar.) How embarrassing.

That's next week. Luckily, every good Scouter comes prepared for nearly everything. Excuse me a moment. (Cubmaster turns around, opens his briefcase, sheds his lab coat and loose slacks and reveals self dressed in beach going gear.

Pulls a beach towel, snorkel and fins from the brief case. Steps into sandals or thongs and—as the piece de resistance – pulls out a water pistol and fires off a few squirts to the audience.)

Tonight Fin Fun, and we are going to have fun! Who's ready to join me in that???

Games

Santa Clara Council

PASS THE LIFESAVER

Form two lines. Give each boy a soda straw to hold in his mouth. On signal, a Lifesaver is passed from one boy to the next using the straws. No hands are allowed. Continue this until the last boy in line has it. Have more Lifesavers ready for the boys to enjoy at the end of the game.

BAIT CASTING

Use a fishing pole with reel and a 2-inch piece of dowel or broom stick at the end of the line as a lure. Mark four or five targets, each about three feet in diameter and about 10 feet apart. Give each player two casts per target. Score one point for each hit.



Dinosaur Wire Sculpture

California Inland Empire Council

Create dinosaur sculptures from salvaged steel or telephone wire!

You can make dinosaur skeleton sculpture using wire or pipe cleaners. Here's what to do:

You will need:

Picture of a dinosaur skeleton

Wire (flexible sculpture wire, pipe cleaners or "Twisteez")

Scissors or wire cutters

Wood block for stand or string to hang (optional)

1. Find a picture of a dinosaur skeleton you want to make-or make up an imaginary dinosaur. Think about the way the bones look and fit together.

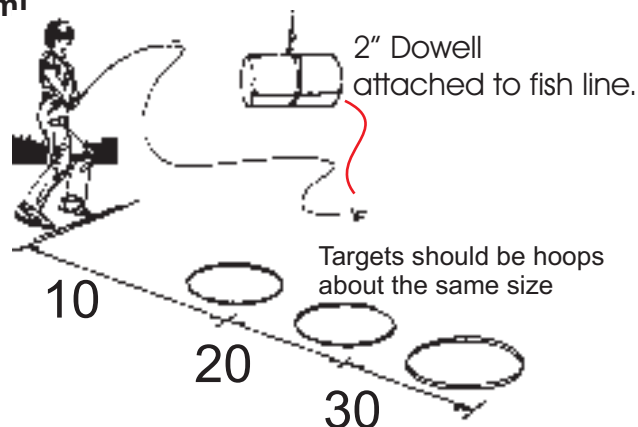
What shape are they? Where do they join to other bones? Do you want parts of your sculpture to move?

2. Practice bending and shaping your wire. Use wire that bends easily and isn't too sharp or springy (pipe cleaners or "Twisteez" wire work great and can be cut with scissors).

3. Bend, shape, wind and wrap your wire to make your dinosaur skeleton. Try making movable joints!

4. Your finished sculpture might stand up by itself. Or you can hang it from a string or staple it to a wood block.

<http://www.childrensmuseum.org/kinetosaur/e.htm>



DEN AND PACK ACTIVITIES

Santa Clara Council

Raingutter Regatta

For suggestions, see Cub Scout Leader How-to Book, pp. 9-47 to 9-48.

Pirate Picnic

see Cub Scout Leader How-to Book, pp. 9-9 to 9-10.

Water Carnival

For suggestions, see Cub Scout Leader How-to Book, pp. 9-15 to 9-16.

Fishing Derby

For suggestions, see Cub Scout Leader How-to Book, pp. 9-16 to 9-18.

Field Trips (Refer to the Field Trip section for details)

SAND CANDLES

Santa Clara Council

Candle making seems to be complicated. Actually it is not. I have worked with Wolves and Bears making all sorts of candles. Sand candles are always the kids favorite type of candles.

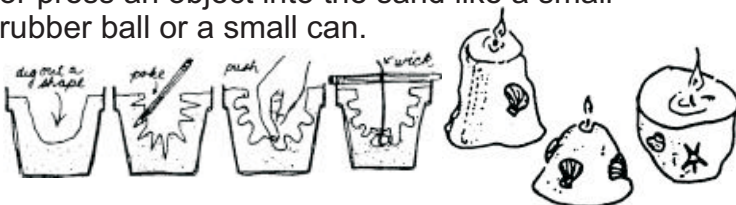
You will need: Sand; Flowerpot or similar sized container; Wax block or household paraffin (approximately 1/4 lb. for each candle); Candle wicks (craft store) or waxed string;

Empty can with the label Removed;
Small pebble;
Crayons (optional).



1. MELT WAX: Break up the wax and put pieces in the empty can. Fill a small pot 1/3 full of water, put the can in the pot and the pot on the stove over low heat. If you want colored candles, put a piece of crayon in the melting wax. While the wax melts, prepare the candle mold.

2. MAKE MOLD: Fill the flowerpot with MOIST sand. Dig out the candle shape— use your hand or press an object into the sand like a small rubber ball or a small can.



Important: You are making the candle upside down. To make the candles like strange sea creatures, make large or small holes in the sand

jutting out from the basic candle shape (use your finger or a pencil).

3. PLACE WICK: When the mold is finished, tie a pebble to the end of a strand of the wick and embed the pebble in the sand at the bottom of the mold as shown. Wind the other end of the wick around the pencil and balance on top of the flowerpot. Make sure the wick is straight.

4. POUR WAX: Pour the liquid wax into the mold carefully. In a few minutes the wax will sink a bit— pour in more wax to make it level (this will be the bottom of the candle). Let the wax cool completely.

5. FINAL STEPS: To unmold, turn the flowerpot upside down. The sand will come out in a hunk in your hand. Carefully remove the candle. Brush off as much sand as possible. Let dry and brush off again. A very thin coating of sand should remain on the candle surface.

VARIATIONS: Instead of poking small holes, keep the moist sand walls smooth and embed pretty pebbles and sea shells (shell's outside to the sand).

Or how about making candles right-side up? You need to keep the bottom of your sandy pit flat but you don't have to embed the wick in the sand..

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONIES

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Fishing Advancement

Arrangement: Set up a partition as seen in the fishing game at a children's carnival. Make a fishing pole out of a dowel with string tied on it. Attach a clothespin at the end of the string. During the ceremony, each boy will be "fishing" for their awards. Adults will attach his award to the clothespin on the other side of the partition. Cubmaster is dressed like a fisherman. He calls boys and parents forward. In order to earn their "fishing license" boy need to perform some tasks such as reciting the Cub Scout Motto, using the Cub Scout handshake, or, if the whole den is receiving the same award, yelling their den yell. After earning fishing license, each boy goes "fishing."

Fin Fun Advancement Ideas

1. Cut shark fins from black poster board and staple to the side of a 2x4.

Spread a blue tarp on the floor and crumple it to look like waves in the ocean. Put shark fins around the tarp between the waves. Make a narrow bridge across the water by putting an 8"

length of 2x4 on top of a block at either end. Nail it to be firm. Tell boys receiving the awards that they must walk across the bridge without falling in the water to receive their award. You can liken the sharks to the 5 national concerns, or you can liken them to the bad things in the world and the bridge can be how Cub Scouts helps to keep you safe from them. Mom and Dad can help hold the boy's hand, just as they do during the scouting trail.

2. Attach awards to oars. Might write on awards You "OAR" fantastic

3. Attach awards to small boats. Float in small swimming pool. Boy can retrieve his boat. The boat - make out of cork with toothpick sail. Glue penny on bottom for weight - "You sailed away with first place" or "Congratulations on sailing away with your Bear badge!"

Fin Fun

Personnel: Cubmaster, various adults in costume

Equipment: Various items used in the water: mask, snorkel, fins, ski tube, and/or skis.

Have leaders wearing these items. Cubmaster needs, fishing hat and a vest available. Enough dowel rods with string attached to badges in plastic sealed bags and awards for cubs

Setting: Cubmaster in front of audience

Cubmaster: Fin Fun is something that is enjoyed by nearly everyone. We have some special people here tonight to show you ways to have fun in the water. (The following are fun ways to show the items)

1. Maskman - the person who does not want to get water on his face. The person who does not want to be seen.

2. Snorkeler - The next person thinks he/she is a shark. They think they are a part of the great white shark family and are a member of the Jaws fan club.

3. Finner - this person only walks on the beach and leaves big prints in the sand thinking that everyone will think Big Foot has reappeared.

4. Tuber - someone who thinks they can swim but really can't. Someone who has always wanted to drive on water but has not yet figured out how to do it.

5. Skier - This person is ready for water and snow. Or does this person like big shoes that make a lot of noise. These are just a few items that can be used to have fun in water. Another thing that is very popular in water is fishing. (Put

STUNTS & APPLAUSES

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Fish: Pucker up lips like you are going to kiss and make kissing sound.

Wave: Rise and raise arms above head then sit back down, as done at sports events.

Motor Boat: Pull on starter cord a few times while fluttering tongue on roof of mouth. Then start the sound of a motor boat.

Water Sprinkler Yell: Make the sound of the water sprinkler, "Chee, Chee, Chee, Swissssssssssh!"

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SURF BOARD: Pretend to be riding a surf board, run it onto the beach, jump off, spread arms wide, say "Success!"

DIVER'S CHEER II: Same as above, but jump off and say "Kersplash." "Perfect!"

THE WAVE: Start with one side and let the wave go around the room twice.

SEAL OF APPROVAL: Elbows together and clap hands straight out and bark like a seal.

SWIMMING: Pretend to swim using the breast stroke, clap hands together as you put your arms forward.

Run-ons

Cub 1 : Scientists believe that caveman made the first music by banging stones together.

Cub 2: Gee, I guess that was the first Rock Music!

Cub 1: What did Mozart sell his chickens?

Cub 2: I don't know--why?

Cub 1: They kept running around saying "Bach, Bach, Bach?"

Cub 1: May upstairs neighbors are so loud. Last night, they kept banging on the floor.

Cub 2: Did they wake you?

Cub 1: No I was awake. I was playing my tuba.

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Cub 1: What did the water say to the sponge?

Cub 2: quit soaking.

Teacher: What is the formula for water.

Student: H I J K L M N O

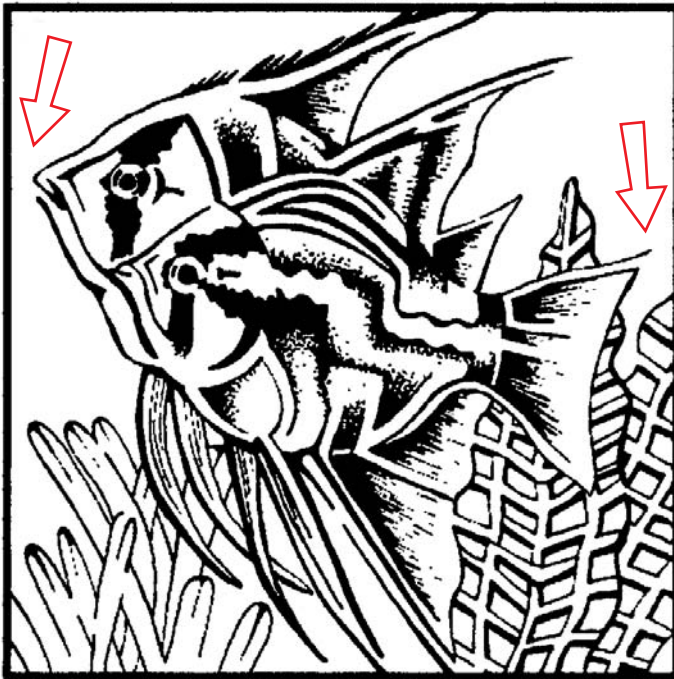
Teacher: Whoever told you that.

Student: You did! You said it was H to O.

Cub1: What kind of fish comes out only at night?

Cub 2: Starfish.

TESSERACT'S MAZES "ANGELFISH"



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IKnees together, Toes together, Butt out, Chest out, Head Back, Tongue out

'm Bringing Home A Baby Dinosaur

I'm bringing home a baby dinosaur
 Won't my mommy fall right through the floor
 I'm bringing home a baby dinosaur
 Ouch! He squished me!
 Flat as a pancake!
 I'm bringing home a baby dinosaur
 Won't my mommy hide behind the door?
 I'm bringing home a baby dinosaur
 Tromp! Tromp! Tromp! Tromp!

FUN WAYS TO SAY THANK YOU

Buoy: "Thank you for helping us to stay on course."
 Cone for Ice Cream: For the person who can lick any job.
 Faucet Handle: "You're turned on to Cub Scouting!"
 Lifesaver: You have been a lifesaver in our pack.
 Sailboat: For the pack Raingutter Regatta Chairman
 Sun: "You are a bright light in our pack"
 For Summertime Pack Activities Chairman

Songs

California Inland Empire Council

All Around The Swamp

(Tune: "Wheels on the Bus")

The pteranodons wings went flap, flap, flap,
 Flap, flap, flap, flap, flap, flap

The pteranodon's wings went flap, flap, flap
 All around the swamp.

The tyrannosaurus rex went grrr, grrr, grrr,
 Grrr, grrr, grrr, grrr, grrr, grrr,

The tyrannosaurus rex went grr, grr, grr,
 All around the swamp.

The triceratops horns went poke, poke, poke
 Poke, poke, poke, poke, poke, poke,

The triceratops horns went poke, poke, poke,
 All around the swamp.

The brontosaurus went munch, munch, munch,
 Munch, munch, munch, munch, munch, munch

The brontosaurus went munch, munch, munch,
 All around the swamp

The stegosaurus tail went spike, spike, spike,
 Spike, spike, spike, spike, spike, spike,

The stegosaurus tail went spike, spike, spike,
 All around the swamp.

Singin' In The Rain

York Adams Council

We're singing in the rain, just singing in the rain.
 What a glorious feeling, we're happy again.

Thumbs up! [Group echoes.]

A-root-ta-ta, root-ta-ta. root-ta-ta-TA

Add each of the following, in turn:

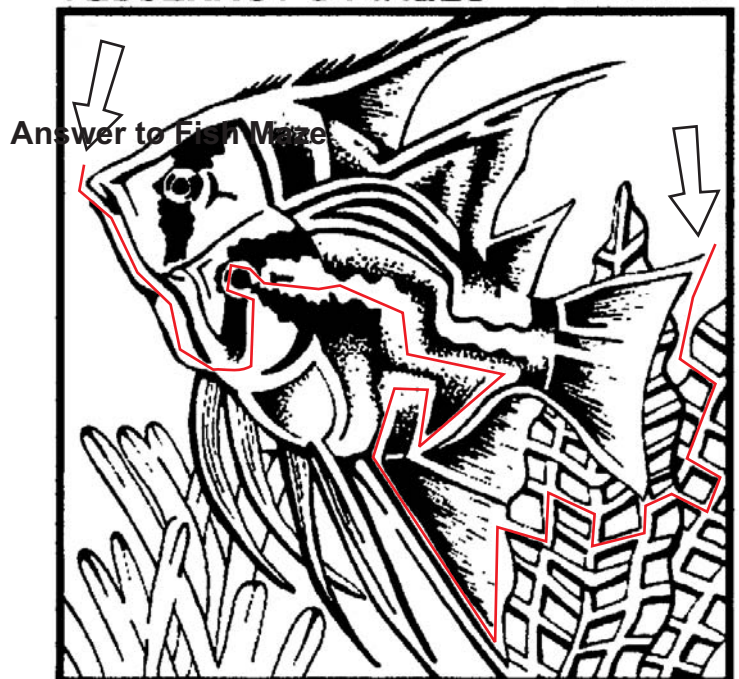
Thumbs Up, Arms Out, Elbows In, Knees Bent,

Chenille Fireworks

Wrap red, white and blue chenille stems around pencil. Glue onto chenille pieces. Add silver metallic "fuse", Attach bow on the front and pin back.



TESSERACT'S MAZES "ANGELFISH"



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Giligan's isle

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Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale,
 A tale of a fateful trip.
 It started from this tropic port,
 Aboard this tiny ship.
 The mate was a mighty sailing man,
 The skipper brave and sure.
 Five passengers set sail that day,
 For a three hour tour, a three hour tour.
 The weather started getting rough,
 The tiny ship was tossed.
 If not for the courage of the fearless crew,
 The minnow would be lost, the minnow would be lost.

The ship struck ground on the shores of this
 Uncharted desert isle,
 With Giligan, the Skipper too.
 The millionaire and his wife.
 The movie star, the Professor and Maryann, here on
 Giligan's isle.
 So this is the tale of our castaways,
 They're here for a long, long time.
 They'll have to make the best of things,
 it's an uphill climb.
 The first mate and the skipper too,
 Will do their very best,
 To make the others comfortable,
 In their tropic island nest.
 No Phone! No Boat! No Motorcar
 Not a single luxury.
 Like Robinson Crusoe
 As primitive as can be.
 So join us here each week my friends,
 You're sure to get a smile,
 From seven stranded castaways,
 Here on Gilligan's Isle!.

SHIPWRECKED CUB SCOUTS

Santa Clara Council

(Tune: Gilligan's Island Theme)

Our pack set sail on the sea one day,
 In search of coins of gold.
 A group of hearty Cub Scouts,
 And leaders true and bold.
 The weather started getting rough,
 The tiny ship was tossed.
 If not for the courage of our Cubmaster,
 The whole pack would be lost.
 Our boat touched ground on a rocky isle
 And up walked a tall old man.
 He tossed a towel to dry us off,

And raised high his right hand.
 He said, "You're a sharp pack of Cub
 Scouts,
 Your courage brave and sure,
 To sail out on a sea like this
 On a Scouting adventure."
 He gave directions to get home.
 We set sail with good cheer.
 We reached home with the setting sun,
 And tied up to the pier.
 We looked in the bottom of the boat
 And saw the old man's towel.
 His name was stitched along the hem,
 The name was Baden-Powell.

CLOSING CEREMONY**NET CLOSING**

Form a net by clasping hands in any criss-cross design making sure everyone is caught in the net (part of the net). Boys shake each other's hand that they are holding and say "Do Your Best."

LIFE IS LIKE A RIVER - CLOSING THOUGHT

As we go through life, let us be ever reminded that life is like a river rushing to the sea, flowing sometimes slow, sometimes fast and yet able to go in different directions. As the water flows, it may stumble but yet continue to flow until it eventually finds its way again

Starfish Cubmaster's Minute

Personnel: Cubmaster or Den Leader

A friend of mine was walking on a beach one day when he saw a native bend down and throw a starfish back into the ocean. He asked the native why he was doing it. "You see, it's low tide right now and all of these starfish have been washed up onto the shore. If I don't throw them back into the sea, they'll die up here from lack of oxygen." "I understand," my friend replied, "but there must be thousands of starfish on this beach. You can't possibly get to all of them. There are simply too many. And don't you realize this is probably happening on hundreds of beaches all up and down this coast? Can't you see that you can't possibly make a difference?" "The local native smiled, bent down and picked up yet another starfish, and as he threw it back into the sea, he replied, "Made a difference to that one!"

Closings

Captain Of All Scouts

York Adams Council

Now may the great Captain of all Scouts
Who created the seas and all things that live
therein And Who gave us dominion over them
Be with us till we meet again.

DEN LEADERS TIPS

Santa Clara County Council

There are many good resources available for Den Leaders and Pack Leaders. We provide some of these resources in this chapter, plus some useful tips for running the Den and Pack meetings. As a Cub Scout leader, you serve an important role in the character development of the boys. You are their role model, so make sure you set a good example, from good citizenship to good sportsmanship and community service.

? Plan your meetings far enough ahead to allow time to gather materials needed. Set goals that you want to accomplish during the year. Outline your program for the year and plan ahead to involve as many people as possible. Plan each meeting ahead of time. You might find it valuable to plan next weeks meeting after just completing a meeting. Share your plan with your Assistant and Den Leader.

? Always have a plan B, each group will be different and activities that thrilled one den may bore another, and when they get bored they get rowdy. If they are showing signs of boredom drop the activity and go to plan B and you will rarely have discipline problems.

? If you plan an outdoor activity, always have an indoor alternate planned.

? Transitions from one activity to the next are easiest if the meeting is planned so that the next activity is always preferred to the current one. For example we begin with opening ceremonies that reinforce the values of Scouting (boring) then go to advancement activities (less boring but not as much fun as games which come next), after games we go to snack time (they are always willing to stop what they are doing for snack!). Use the fact that they have their hands full and their mouths full as the best opportunity for announcements and reminders. Their parents

announcements and reminders; it also helps to keep those impatient parents from grabbing the Cub and leaving before the closing ceremony, since they intuitively understand that they should not take their child away during announcements.

? Don't try to carry the entire load yourself. In Tiger, Wolf and Bear dens the family unit is central to the forming of the Cub Scout and activities revolved around the family unit. Get other parents involved. Help them realize it is their program and then depend on them to lend expertise on aspects of the program. Invite them to attend by determining their interests and using them.

? Leadership is developed and learned. You can become an effective Cub Scout Leader if you will prepare yourself and take the time to learn. Remember to be flexible in your planning. There are no set answers to handling boys. Don't be afraid to experiment.

? Get trained! Start out with the Cub Scout Den Leader Fast Start video. It is very short and enjoyable to watch. After you get settled in, attend the Cub Scout Den Leader Basic Training at your District. It is the best place to go to learn your Cub Scouting fundamentals.

? Understand the Cub Scout program so you can help the boys grow throughout the program. There are a lot of resources available to help you. One of your best resources is the monthly district Cub Leader Roundtable, where you can exchange ideas with other Cub Scout Leaders. Also look inside the various BSA publications, search the web or simply ask another Scouter. Experienced leaders are more than happy to share their knowledge and skills. Check with your Unit Commissioner or District Executive. Just ask!

? Keep the boys occupied at all times; not just with busy work, but also with activities that fulfill the Purposes of Cub Scouting.

? Be fair and consistent with discipline. Don't permit one boy to do something you would discipline another for doing.

? Treat each boy as a very special individual.

? Establish your rules and stick to them.

? Set a good example by wearing your uniform.

? Use the Cub Scout sign to get attention...don't shout or yell.

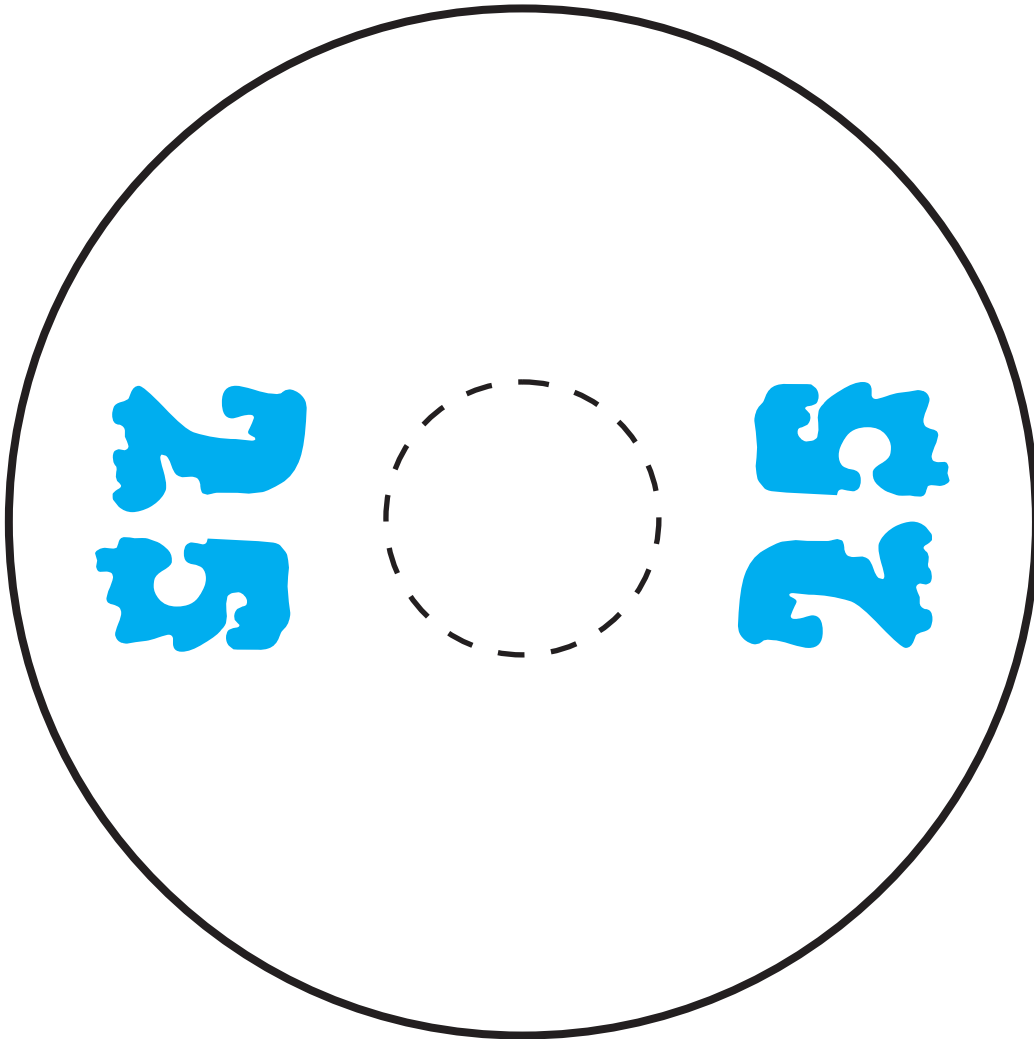
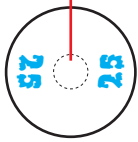
? Give the boys a chance to let off steam. Plan den meetings to alternate quiet activities with active ones.

? Be firm in a friendly way.

? Do your best, and, above all, have fun!

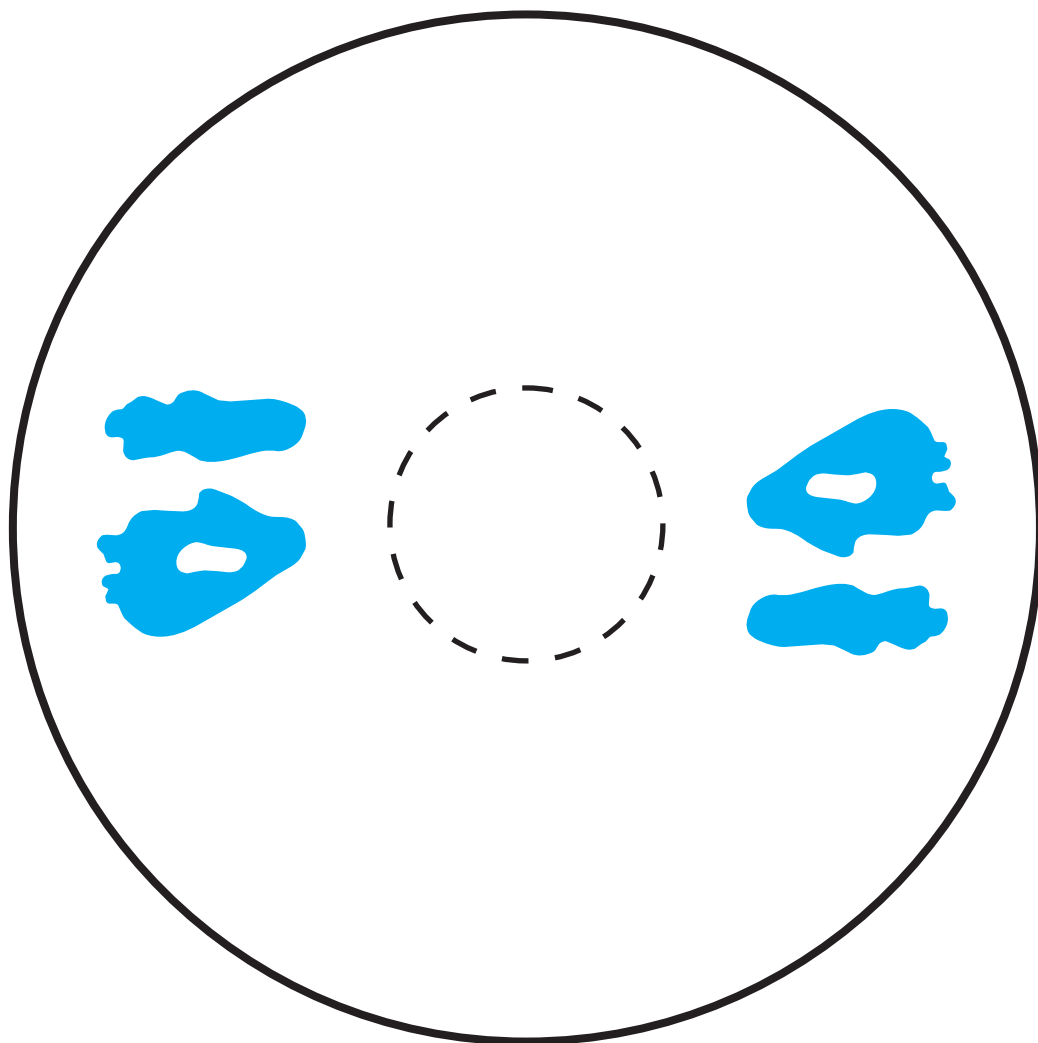
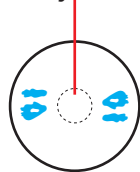
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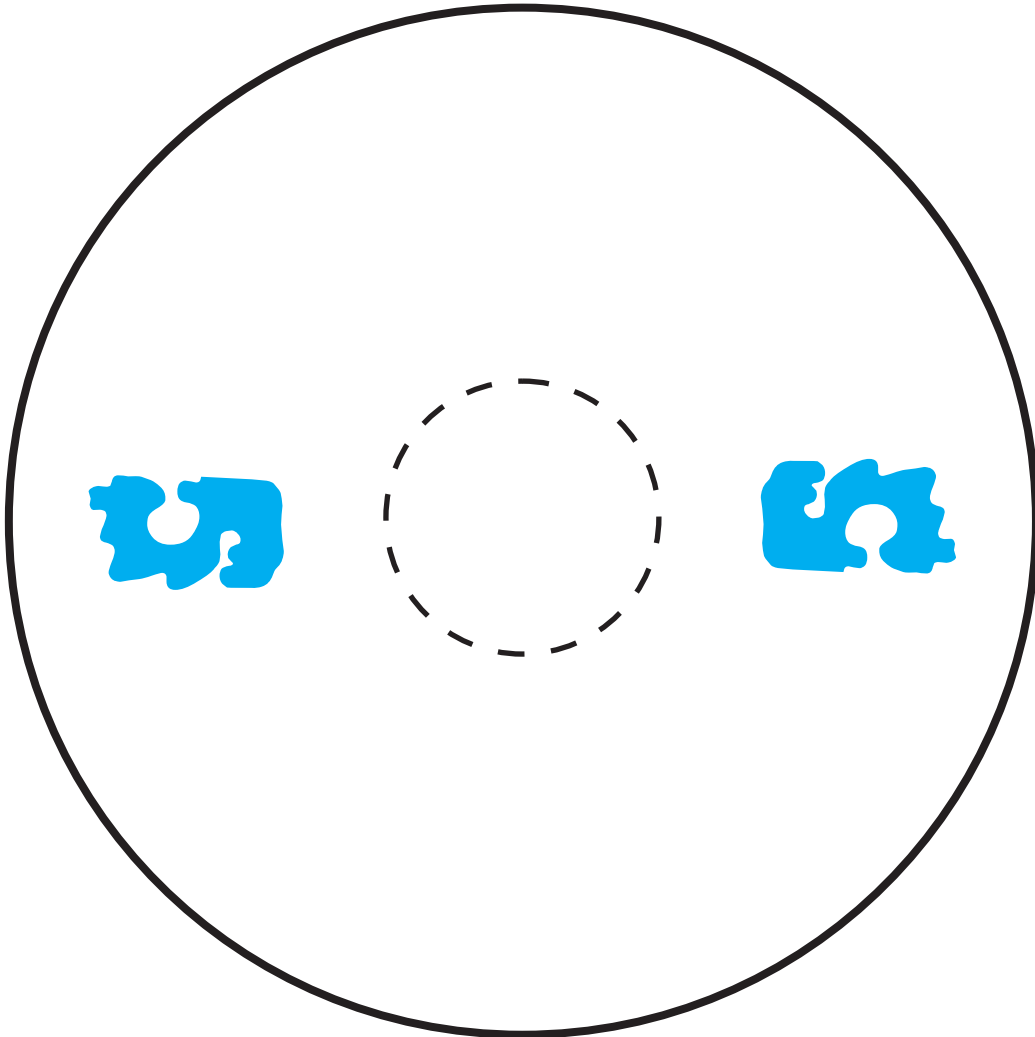
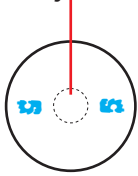
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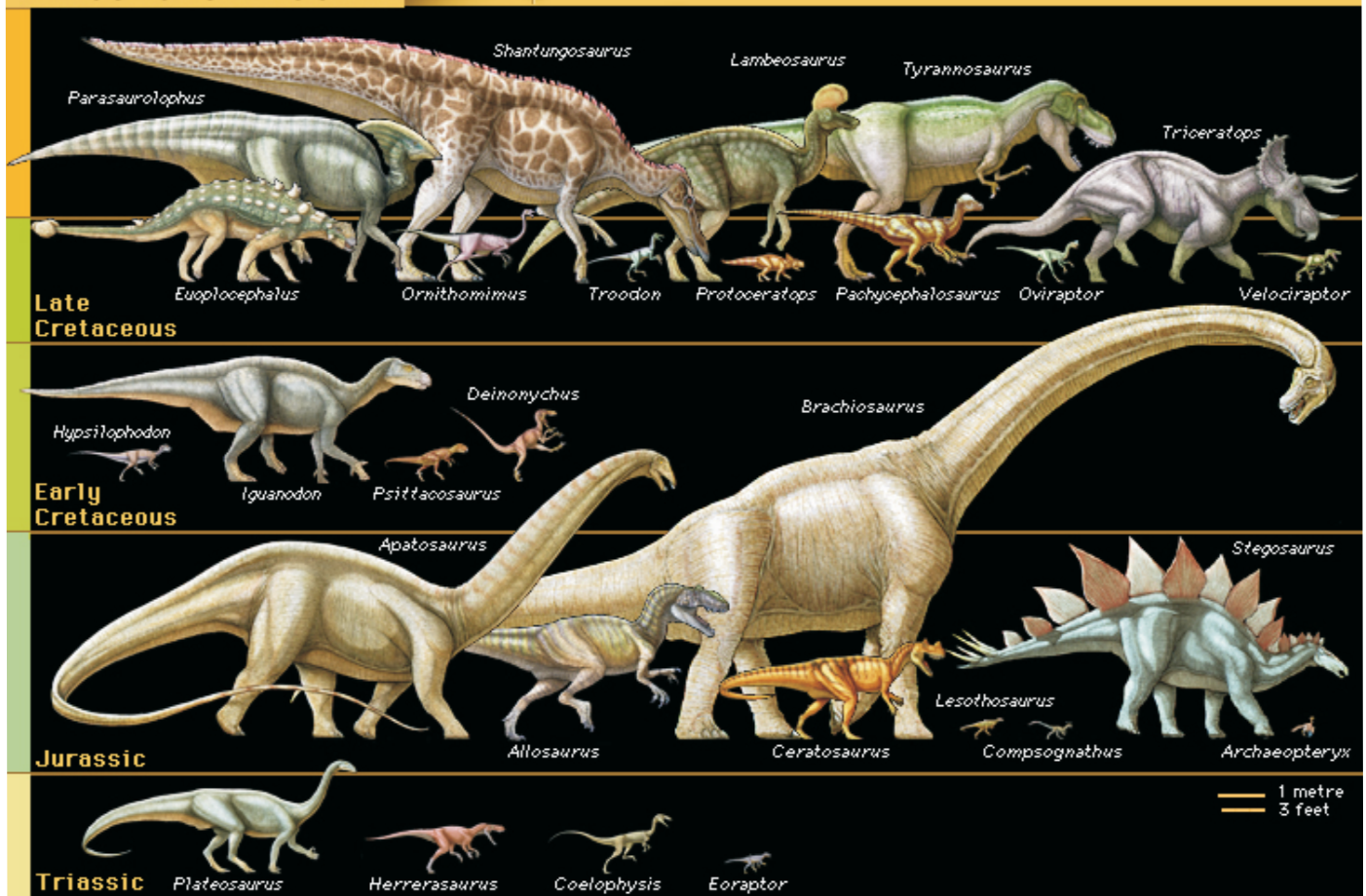
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Web sites as of 5-8-04

Check out the new Pinewood Derby movie coming to a theater near you late 2004.

[Www.downandderby.com](http://www.downandderby.com)

Check Boys' Life for a feature article that will come out in June or July.

www.cubscout.ws

Down and Derby is a fun, engaging and smartly familiar satire about a small town Pinewood Derby competition that transforms an average group of dads into an awkward bunch of competitors. The cast includes Greg Germann (Ally McBeal), Lauren Holly (Dumb and Dumber), and Pat Morita (Mr. Miyagi from The Karate Kid)

Science experiments for all ages--This is great!

[Http://www.reachoutmichigan.org/funexperiments/quick/laterelem.html](http://www.reachoutmichigan.org/funexperiments/quick/laterelem.html)

The Dinosauricon <http://www.dinosauricon.com>

This site is the best place to start for information about specific dinosaurs or dinosaur families.

ZoomDinosaurs.com <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/dinosaurs>

This site contains lots of dinosaur information, including a useful Dinosaur Dictionary.

Dinosaur Illustrations <http://www.search4dinosaurs.com/pictures.html> The dinosaur illustrations at this site include just about every type you can think of, from Acrocanthosaurus to Xiphactinus.

DinoDon.com <http://www.dinodon.com> Dinosaur expert Don Lessem provides lots of dinosaur resources, including stories, facts, art, and additional links.

<http://www.letsfindout.com/> This site is great for education info also dinosaur info includes individual pages about many different types of dinosaurs.

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