

Camp@Home - Activities

This activity idea was originally part of a Durham Scouts Camp@Home event. It has been adapted for broader use as part of the Scouting from Home programme

Activities at home should always be risk assessed and supervised by parents/carers, taking note of the specific safety advice provided

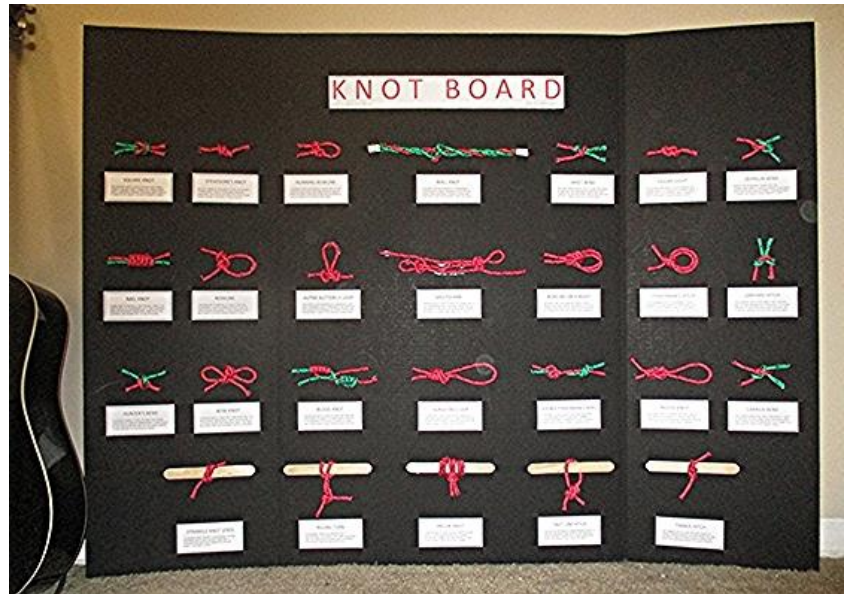


Knotting Board

Knots and lashings aren't just for Scout and Guides – everyone should know some basic knots and lashings for everyday life.

For those of you who are in the Scouts and Guides, you may have seen knotting boards like the one shown on the right, but have you ever thought of making your own?

It doesn't have to be big or complex – you can make a smaller version like the one shown below, just showing some basic knots.



Thinking about the requirements for the badges described below, you could make a knotting board showing the knots you need to know to complete some of your badge work.

The [Scout Adventures Simple Knots factsheet](#) will show you how to make many of these simple knots and there are loads of other resources on-line to show you how to tie all sorts of knots and lashings.

You can then hang it up in your bedroom to remind you how to tie these simple but useful knots.

If you'd like to get some help from older brothers, sisters or parents, you could try something a little more ambitious such as those shown in this [Ohio State University resource sheet](#).

Making a knotting board and tying the knots can count towards the following Activity Badges:



Beavers Camp Craft Activity Badge

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/beavers/activity-badges/camp-craft/>

This activity could easily meet the following requirements for part of this badge:

2. Learn how to tie a reef knot.
3. Take part in a small pioneering project.



Cubs Pioneer Activity Badge

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/cubs/activity-badges/pioneer/>

This activity could meet the following requirements for part of this badge:

2. Tie a simple lashing.
3. Show how you would:
 - tie three different knots, such as a reef, figure of eight, sheet bend or bowline
 - make one hitch, such as a clove hitch, round turn and two half-hitches or a cow hitch



Scouts Pioneer Activity Badge

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/scouts/activity-badges/pioneer/>

This activity could meet the following requirements for part of this badge:

3. Name and tie at least six knots and three lashings that are useful in pioneering.



Explorers Pioneer Activity Badge

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/explorers/activity-badges/pioneer/>

This activity could meet the following requirements for part of this badge:

3. During your project, demonstrate your ability in:
 - 10 knots, bends or hitches
 - four lashings