



## Merit Badge Workbook

This workbook can help you but you still need to read the merit badge pamphlet. Workbook can help you organize your thoughts as you prepare to meet with your merit badge counselor

## Merit Badge Counselors may not require the This use of this or any similar workbooks.

You still must satisfy your counselor that you can demonstrate each skill and have learned the information.

You should use the work space provided for each requirement to keep track of which requirements have been completed, and to make notes for discussing the item with your counselor, not for providing full and complete answers.

If a requirement says that you must take an action using words such as "discuss", "show",

"tell", "explain", "demonstrate", "identify", etc, that is what you must do.

No one may add or subtract from the official requirements found on Scouting.org.

The requirements were last issued or revised in 2024 • This workbook was updated in November 2023.

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		Please submit	errors, omissions, o	comments or suggestion	ns about this <u>workbook</u> to: <u>Workbooks@USScouts.Org</u> he <u>merit badge</u> should be sent to: <u>Merit.Badge@Scouting.Org</u>
1.	Do ONE	of the following	ng:		
	☐ a.	ways you spe	end communicating atching television,	g, such as talking per	communication activities. Keep track of the time and different son-to-person, listening to teachers, listening to the radio or eading books and other print media, and using any electronic
		Time	Duration	Activity Type	Description
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hink of ways to impro	ove your communications skills.	
	a journal of your listening experiences.	
Dates:		
Date/Time	Listening Experience	

1.	Obtain information	
2.	Be persuaded	
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3.	Appreciate or enjoy something	
4.	Understand someone's feelings	
eve	a small-group setting, meet with other Scouts or with friends. Have them share personal stories about ents in their lives that affected them in some way. Take note of how each Scout participates in the group scussion and how effectively each Scout communicates their story.	significar up
	Scout or friend:	
	Personal story:	
	Effectiveness:	

Communication

Communication Scout's Name: \_\_\_\_ \_\_ Scout or friend: Personal story: Effectiveness: Scout or friend: Personal story: Effectiveness: Scout or friend: Personal story: **Effectiveness:** Scout or friend: Personal story: **Effectiveness:** Scout or friend: Personal story:

Effectiveness:

	It not be appropriate or effective.  When that method might not be appropriate or effective.
Way to Communicate	When that method might not be appropriate or effective.

Do ONE of the following:
a. Think of a creative way to describe yourself using, for example, a collage, short story or autobiography, drawing or series of photographs, or a song or skit. Using the aid you created, make a presentation to your counselor about yourself.
c b. Choose a concept, product, or service in which you have great confidence.
Build a sales plan based on its good points.
Try to persuade the counselor to agree with, use, or buy your concept, product, or service. After your sales talk,
discuss with your counselor how persuasive you were.
Write a five-minute speech. Give it at a meeting of a group.

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ommunication	Scout's Name:
Interview someone you know fairly well, like, or	respect because of his or her position, talent, career, or life experiences.
Listen actively to learn as much as you can about the person as though this person were to be a person speak.	out the person. Then prepare and deliver to your counselor an introduction of guest speaker, and include reasons why the audience would want to hear the

 $\,\,{\subset}\,\,$  Show how you would call to invite this person to speak.

2	Attend a public meeting (city council, school board, debate) approved by your counselor where several points of view given on a single issue.
2	Practice active listening skills and take careful notes of each point of view.
	Prepare an objective report that includes all points of view that were expressed, and share this with your counselor.
Vit	h your counselor's approval, develop a plan to teach a skill or inform someone about something.
)	Prepare teaching aids for your plan.
Car	ry out your plan. With your counselor, determine whether the person has learned what you intended.

Do	ONE	E of the follo	wing:
С	a.	Write to the subject you	e editor of a magazine or your local newspaper to express your opinion or share information on any a choose.
	С	Send your	message by c fax, c e-mail, or c regular mail.
С	b.	at least thr would be h Web page	reb page or blog of special interest to you (for instance, your troop or crew, a hobby, or a sport). Include ee articles or entries and one photograph or illustration and one link to some other Web page or blog that elpful to someone who visits the Web page or blog you have created. It is not necessary to post your or blog to the Internet, but if you decide to do so, you must first share it with your parents and counselor per permission.
		Articles:	
		Image:	
		Link:	
С	C.		op publishing to produce a newsletter, brochure, flier, or other printed material for your Scout troop, class or other group. Include at least one article and one photograph or illustration.
		Article:	

7.

Communic	ation	Scout's Name:
	Image:	
<b>8.</b> C	Plan a troop o	r crew court of honor, campfire program, or interfaith worship service.

С	Have the patrol leaders' council approve it, then write the script and prepare the program.
С	Serve as master of ceremonies.
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Scout's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

When working on merit badges, Scouts and Scouters should be aware of some vital information in the current edition of the *Guide to Advancement* (BSA publication 33088).Important excerpts from that publication can be downloaded from <a href="http://usscouts.org/advance/docs/GTA-Excerpts-meritbadges.pdf">http://usscouts.org/advance/docs/GTA-Excerpts-meritbadges.pdf</a>.

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