



Merit Badge Information Sheet [MBIS]
November 14, 2026

Merit Badge:	Theater
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Preferred Method of Contact:	
	When you email, put your name on the subject header. If you can, send all the documents in one email. To comply with Youth Protection guidelines, scouts should copy a leader or parent on all email communication with the counselor.
Prerequisites: <i>list all requirements which need to be completed in advance</i>	To make the best use of your time in this workshop, I recommend completing Requirements 1 and 2 before our meeting. 1. See or read three full-length plays. Write a review of each and be prepared to discuss the plot or story with your counselor. If you choose to watch the plays, comment on the acting and staging. Note: Watching plays on television, on video, or as a movie is not permitted. Resource: Theatre Merit Badge (video) 2. Write a one-act play that will take at least 10 minutes to perform. The play must include a main character, a conflict, and a climax. Resource: How to Write a One-Act Play (video)
Class Work: <i>list all requirements which will be completed in class</i>	Requirement 3 is the practical portion of the badge. I know that many of you may already have considerable theater experience. When we meet, we can review ways to complete this requirement that work best for you. Requirements 4 and 5 will be covered in the workshop as a team activity.
Use of "Online" Workbook:	Not supported – the site that provided them is no longer updating requirements.
Merit Badge Booklet:	Requirements found at https://www.scouting.org/merit-badges/theater/
Number of Sessions needed: <i>each session is 1 hour 25 minutes</i>	1
Maximum Class Size:	15



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Notes and/or Comments: