

## Merit Badge College 2026

### Communication MB

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#### ***Prerequisites***

- 2a→ Come prepared to *creatively* describe and introduce yourself to the rest of the group. Read 2a for guidance.
- 3→ Write a *well-constructed 5-minute* speech about the subject of your choice. The aim is to very briefly introduce yourself and hook your audience, deliver information so that your audience understands it and end in a way that is memorable and leaves the audience wanting more. This speech is *NOT* an interactive Q & A and it is not an exhaustive covering of the subject of choice. You will be given about 45 seconds grace beyond 5 minutes, but no more. Write the speech, rehearse the speech, time the speech and prepare to give a great delivery!
- 5→ Attend a public meeting, practice active listening and report *objectively* on the various points of view.
- 6→ Prepare to teach the group a certain skill of your choice. Your presentation should include teaching aids. We will accommodate as many of these as possible in class.

#### ***Covered in Class***

- 1d→ Various types of communication and what type is appropriate for what occasion
- 2a→ Creative self-descriptions (see prerequisites)
- 3→ Deliver 5-minutes speeches (see prerequisites)
- 4→ Interview someone and introduce them as a guest speaker
- 6→ Teach a skill using teaching aids
- 9→ Communication careers
- Will cover if time allows:
  - 5→ Report on public meeting viewpoints

#### ***Homework NOT covered in class***

- 7→ Letter to the editor, webpage/blog, newsletter
- 8→ Plan & execute a court of honor, campfire program or interfaith worship service