

Archaeology Merit Badge Prework

Hidden Oaks Nature Center

The Archaeology merit badge is a 4 hour session. Scouts should bring a snack and plenty of water. Please no red liquids. Scouts will be spending some of the session outside. Please have them wear sunscreen and insect repellent.

What to bring:

- Blue card, pen and pencil.
- Appropriate clothing including closed toe shoes.
- Snack and water.
- Prework.

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4. Do TWO of the following:

- a. Learn about three archaeological sites located outside the United States.
- b. Learn about three archaeological sites located within the United States.
- c. Visit an archaeological site and learn about it.

For EACH site you research for options a, b, or c, point it out on a map and explain how it was discovered. Describe some of the information about the past that has been found at each site. Explain how the information gained from the study of these sites answers questions that archaeologists are asking and how the information may be important to modern people. Compare the relative ages of the sites you research.

5. Choose ONE of the sites you picked for Requirement 4 and give a short presentation about your findings to a Cub Scout pack, your Scout troop, your school class, or another group.

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