

The Sweet 16 of BSA Safety

- 1. Qualified Supervision.
- 2. Physical Fitness.
- 3. Buddy System.
- 4. Safe Area or Course.
- 5. Equipment Selection and Maintenance.
- 6. Personal Safety Equipment.
- 7. Safety Procedures and Policies.
- 8. Skill Level Limits.
- 9. Weather Check.
- 10. Planning.
- 11. Communications.
- 12. Permits and Notices.
- 13. First-Aid Resources.
- 14. Applicable Laws.
- 15. CPR Resources
- 16. Scout Discipline

Scout Motto:

Be Prepared

Scout Slogan:

Do a Good Turn daily.

Scout Vespers

Softly falls the light of day,
As our campfire fades away.
Silently each Scout should ask:
Have I done my daily task?
Have I kept my honor bright?
Can I guiltless sleep tonight?
Have I done and have I dared,
Everything to be prepared?

Listen Lord, O Listen Lord
As I whisper soft and Low.
Bless my Mom and Bless my Dad
There is something they ought to know.
I have kept my honor bright,
The Oath and Law have been my
guide.

Mom and Dad this you should know: Deep in my heart I love you so.

More Training Essentials

District Training: Leader Specific Training, Outdoor Leadership Skills.

Roundtables - Keeps you up to date on themes, training and activities. Each district holds the meetings monthly.

Internet training is available at myscouting.org

Council Training: Climbing Instructor, NRA instructor, BALOO, Wood Badge, Powderhorn, Cedar Badge and Kodiak for youth leaders.

Astronauts and the BSA

The Boy Scouts of America teaches young people to be good citizens and trains them to become leaders. These qualities are also found in the U.S. Astronaut program. Of the 294 pilots and scientists selected as astronauts since



1959, more than 180 were Scouts or have been active in Scouting: 37 Eagle Scouts, 25 Life Scouts, 13 Star Scouts, 27 First Class Scouts, 16 Second Class Scouts, 13 Tenderfoot Scouts, three Explorers, 29 Cub Scouts, 16 Webelos Scouts, and eight with unknown ranks. Of the 12 men to physically walk on the moon's surface, 11 were involved in Scouting.

Unauthorized and Restricted Activities

(from the Guide to Safe Scouting)

- All-terrain vehicles (ATVs)
- Boxing, karate, and related martial arts—except judo, aikido, and Tai Chi
- Chainsaws and mechanical log splitters
- Exploration of abandoned mines
- Football activities
- Fireworks except by a certified or licensed fireworks control expert.
- The selling of fireworks
- Flying, except aircraft (no hang-gliding, ultralight)
- Motorized go-carts and motorbikes
- Participation in rodeo events
- Pointing any type of firearm (including paintball, dye, or lasers) at any individual
- · Motorized personal watercraft
- Firearms except target shooting under the supervision of a certified firearms instructor.
- Parasailing
- Hunting (OK for Venturing)
- Bungee cord jumping
- Carbon Tetrachloride

You know you're a Scouter when:

You can start a fire by rubbing two sticks together.

Tour Permits/Plans

are required for all overnight camping and trips outside of your home area. They should be filed at least 2 weeks before the travel and must be approved by the Council. They can be done on line, faxed or delivered to the Scout Service Center.



- 1. Qualified Supervision
- 2. Qualified Instructors
- 3. Physical Fitness
- 4. Safe Area
- 5. Equipment
- 6. Planning
- 7. Environmental Conditions
- 8. Discipline

You know you're a Scouter when:

The Scouts in your troop chipped in to have you abducted by a professional cult deprogrammer.

National BSA Good Turns

The Boy Scouts of America's Good Turn traces back to William D. Boyce. Among many references to the Good Turn in BSA literature is this comment from the Boy Scout Handbook: "To people who know about Scouting, the daily Good Turn is one of the finest features of our movement. The record of Good Turns, small and large, that have been done by Scouts since the day Scouting was founded is truly impressive." Report your unit Good Turns.

GUIDE TO SAFE SCOUTING (revised quarterly)

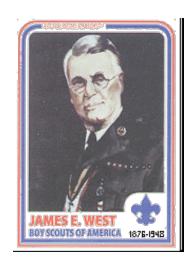


is the "Bible" on safety and Scouting rules for Adult leaders. You must have it with you on all outings. All of the rules listed in this booklet come from the Guide. It is available as a .pdf file.

Noble Captain Kirk

(Tune - "Grand Old Duke of York")
The noble Captain Kirk,
He had 500 men.
He had Scotty beam them up,
And he beamed down again.
And when they're up, they're up,
And when they're down, they're down,
And when they're only halfway up,
They're nowhere to be found.





James E. West was appointed the first Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America in 1911. Although orphaned and physically handicapped, he had the perseverance to graduate from law school and become a successful attorney. This same determination provided the impetus to help build Scouting into the largest and most effective youth organization in the world. When he retired in 1943, Dr. West was recognized throughout the country as the

true architect of the Boy Scouts of America.

Two "cavemen" sitting facing each other cross-legged

1: "Ugh" 2: "Ugh" 1: "Ugh" 2: "Ugh"

1: "Ugh" 2: "Ugh" 1: "Ugh" 2: "Ugh Ugh"

1: (Stands up and shouts) "Why you change subject?!"



Wood Badge

In 1911, four years after Scouting began in Great Britain, Lord Baden-Powell began training Scouters through a series of lectures. This led to the first Wood Badge

training course for Scoutmasters held eight years later at Gilwell Park near London. In 1936, an experimental Wood Badge course was conducted in the United States at the Schiff Scout Reservation. Then in 1948, the first American Wood Badge course was introduced in the United States as advanced training for trainers of Boy Scout leaders. Later, the program was extended to include troop committee members, commissioners, and Explorer leaders. The primary purpose of the Wood Badge experience is to strengthen Scouting in our units, districts, and local councils. The Wood Badge ticket represents the participants commitment to complete a set of personal goals relating to that individual's Scouting position. These goals will



significantly strengthen the program in which the participant is involved. In addition, the ticket gives participants an opportunity to practice and

demonstrate a working knowledge of the leadership skills presented during the course.

Participants should complete their Wood Badge ticket no later than 18 months after the course.

Wood Badge Patrol Critters: Beaver, Bobwhite (replacing Quail), Eagle, Fox, Owl, Bear, Buffalo, Antelope. Earlier additional names where Raven, Crow, Wolf and Hawk.



Order of the Arrow

The purpose of the Order of the Arrow is fourfold:

- 1. To recognize those Scout campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives
- 2. To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit
- 3. To promote Scout camping
- 4. To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Eligibility

•Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.

YOU KNOW YOU'RE A SCOUTER WHEN:

Singing "Scout Vespers" makes you cry.

- Camp 15 nights with Scouts, including one 6 day BSA summer camp. (summarized)
- •Youth must be under the age of 21, hold the BSA First Class rank or higher, and following approval by the Scoutmaster or Varsity team Coach, be elected by the youth members of their troop or team.
- •Adults (age 21 or older) who are registered in the BSA and meet the camping requirements may be selected following nomination to the lodge adult selection committee. Adult selection is based on their ability to perform the necessary functions to help the Order fulfill its purpose, and is not for recognition of service, including current or prior positions. Selected adults must be an asset to the Order because of demonstrated abilities, and must provide a positive example for the growth and development of the youth members of the lodge.

Scout Law

A Scout is ... trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

The Aims of Scouting

Character Development Citizenship Training Mental & Physical Fitness



Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best
To do my duty to God
and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake,and morally
straight.

The Outdoor Code:

As an American I will Do my best to be clean in my outdoor manners

Be careful with fire, be considerate in the outdoors

And be conservation minded.

PROGRAM HELPS

The Boy Scouts publishes four volumes of Program Helps with meeting and outing plans, skills and competitions.

Troop Meeting Plan

Activity	Description	by	time
Preopening			
Opening			
Skill Instr.			
Patrol mtg.			
Interpatrol			
Closing	Scoutmaster minute		
After mtg.			

Volume 1 Aquatics Athletics Backpacking Boating/ canoeing Business

Volume 2 Camping Citizenship Communicat ions Cooking Cultural awareness Emergency prep. Engineering

Volume 3 Environment First aid Fishing Forestry Health care High adventure Hiking Hobbies leadership Mechanics Nature Orienteering

Volume 4 Physical fitness Pioneering **Public** service Safety Science Shooting Special cooking **Sports** Tracking Wilderness surv. Wildlife mgmt. Winter camping

The Principles of Leave No Trace

Plan Ahead and Prepare
Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
Dispose of Waste Properly
Leave What You Find
Minimize Campfire Impacts
Respect Wildlife
Be Considerate of Other Visitors



YOU KNOW YOU'RE A SCOUTER WHEN:

You can't eat eggs anymore unless they're cooked in a zip-lock bag.

As a youth, Robert Baden-Powell greatly enjoyed the outdoors, learning about nature and how to live in the wilderness. After returning as a military hero from service in Africa, Baden-Powell discovered that English boys were reading the manual on stalking and survival in the wilderness he had written for British soldiers. Gathering ideas from Ernest Thompson Seton, Daniel Carter Beard, and others, he rewrote the manual as a nonmilitary nature skill book and called it Scouting for Boys. To test his ideas, Baden-Powell brought together



22 boys to camp at Brownsea Island, off the coast of England. This historic campout was a success and resulted in the advent of Scouting. Thus, the imagination and inspiration of Baden- Powell, later proclaimed Chief Scout of the World, brought Scouting to youth the world over.

Training Essentials:

Available at myscouting.org:

- Fast Start For all Leaders.
- This Is Scouting
- Youth Protection
- Tiger Cub Den Leader
- Cub Scout Den Leader
- Webelo Den Leader
- Cubmaster & Assistant
- Scout Parents Unit coordinator

- Safe Swim Defense
- Safety Afloat
- Physical Wellness
- Climb on Safely
- Trek Safely
- Weather Hazards
- Troop Committee Challenge
- Merit Badge counselor

Youth Protection Requirements

- Two-deep leadership.
- No one-on-one contact.
- Respect of privacy.
- Separate accommodations.
- Proper preparation for highadventure activities.
- No secret organizations.
- Appropriate attire.
- Constructive discipline.
- Hazing prohibited.
- Junior leader training and supervision.

YOU KNOW YOU'RE A **SCOUTER WHEN:**

You decide to lash together the new deck on the back of your house.

April is Youth Protection month. Each troop should devote one meeting to viewing the appropriate youth protection video. The "three Rs" of Youth Protection convey a simple message that the BSA wants its youth members to learn:

- Recognize
- Resist
- Report

Be a Prepared Leader:

Be fully trained, attend roundtables.

Provide Youth Protection training for your Scouts.

Have, read and follow the <u>Guide to Safe Scouting</u>.

File a Tour Permit/Plan 2 weeks before each campout.

Recharter your organization on time.

Support the Friend's of Scouting giving program.

Have all leaders and scouts registered as they join.

Help your youth leaders do the planning & leading.

Keep an annual calendar based on the Journey to Excellence.



William T. Hornaday Award

for Distinguished Service in Conservation

This conservation awards program was initiated in 1914 by Dr. William T. Hornaday, then director of the New York Zoological Park, in an effort to inspire members of the Boy Scouts of America to work constructively for conservation. For 20 years the program was funded through Hornaday's Permanent Wildlife Protection Fund. Upon his death, the program

was sponsored for 35 years by the New York Zoological Society and named in Hornaday's honor. The award is the oldest conservation award given in America.

Mr. Hornaday was instrumental in the restoration of bison to Yellowstone. Requirements for this medal can be found on line.

Scout Swimmer Test

- *Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming.
- *Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: side stroke, breaststroke, trudgeon, or crawl;then swim 25 yards using an easy, resting backstroke.
- *The 100 yards must be completed in one swim without stops and must include at least one sharp turn.
- *After completing the swim, rest by floating.

Safe Swim Defense

Before a BSA group may engage in swimming activities of any kind, a minimum of one adult leader must complete Safe SwimDefense training, have a commitment card (No. 34243) with them, and agree to use the eight defenses in this plan. (BALD PALS, mnemonic)

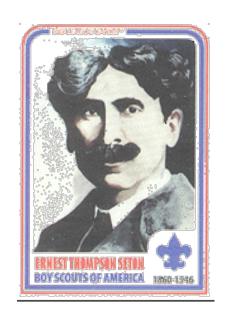
- 1. Qualified <u>Supervision</u> 5. <u>Lookout</u>
- 2. Physical Fitness 6. Ability Groups
- 3. Safe Area 7. Buddy System
- 4. <u>Lifeguards on Duty</u> 8. <u>Discipline</u>



Journey to Excellence (replaces the Quality Unit program)

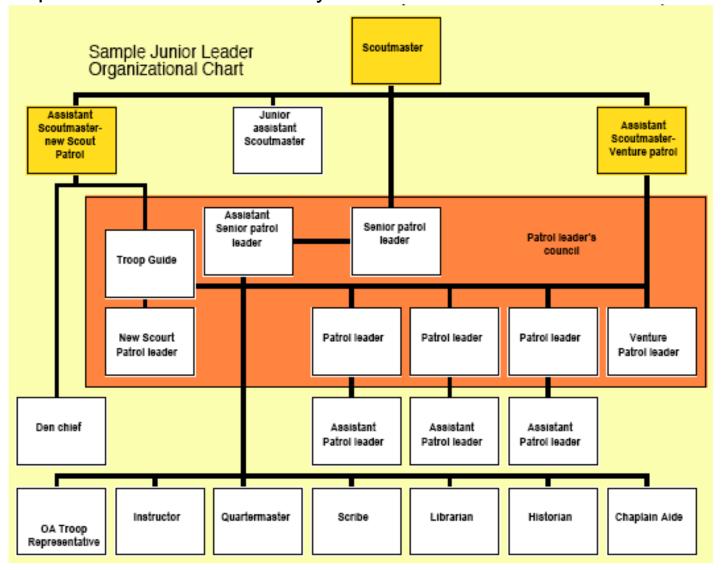
Standard	Bronze - Silver - Gold
1. Advancement	55% - 60% - 65% advance one rank
2. Retention	76% - 80% - 85% or 2% increase
3. Building Boy Scouting	1% - 5% - 10% increase over 14
4. Trained Leadership	Min training, - LST - Youth elections
5. Short Term Camping	4 - 8 - 10 campouts per year
6. Long Term Camping	1% - 60% - 70% go to BSA camp
7. Patrol Method	4 - 6 - 10 - PLC, plus TLT & NYLT
8. Service Projects	4 - 5 - 6 projects in the year
9. Webelos to Scout Transition	Webelos activity - 2 - 5 - recruits
10. Budget	Written - Scouts help - by May 1
11. Courts of Honor	2 - 3 - 4 - COH with families
12. Register on Time	By 12/31
13. Annual Assessment	Complete form.

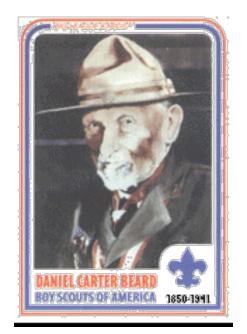
Each standard has points assigned, Complete 11 of 13 plus 700 points for Bronze, 1000 Silver, 1600 Gold.



Born in Scotland, **Ernest Thompson Seton** immigrated to America as a youth in the 1880s. His fascination with the wilderness led him to become a naturalist, an artist, and an author, and through his works he influenced both youth and adults. Seton established a youth organization called the Woodcraft Indians, and his background of outdoor skills and interest in youth made him a logical choice for the position of first Chief Scout of the BSA in 1910. His many volumes of Scoutcraft became an

integral part of Scouting, and his intelligence and enthusiasm helped turn an idea into reality.





Woodsman, illustrator, and naturalist, **Daniel Carter Beard** was a pioneering spirit of the
Boy Scouts of America. Already 60 years old
when the Boy Scouts of America was formed,
he became a founder and merged it with his
own boys' organization, the Sons of Daniel
Boone. As the first national Scout
commissioner, Beard helped design the
original Scout uniform and introduced the
elements of the First Class Scout badge.
"Uncle Dan," as he was known to boys and
leaders, will be remembered as a colorful

figure dressed in buckskin who helped form Scouting in the United States.

Leader Specific Training - run by the Districts:-

- Pack Committee members
- Tiger Coach, Den Leader, Webelos
- Scoutmaster & Assistant (6 to 9 hours)
- Troop Committee members
- Varsity coach
- Venturing Crew Advisors
- Venturing Crew Committee
- Chartered Organization Rep.
- Unit Commissioners

You know you're a Scouter when:

You were arrested by TSA at the airport because you wouldn't give up your BSA pocket knife until the agent said "Thank You."

In larger districts the training may be done by zone.

Safety Afloat

Before a BSA group may engage in an excursion, expedition, or trip on the water (canoe, raft, sailboat, motorboat, rowboat, tube, or other craft), adult leaders for such activity must complete Safety Afloat Training, No. 34159C, have a commitment card, No. 34242A, with them, and be dedicated to full compliance with all nine points of Safety Afloat.

- 1. Qualified Supervision
- 2. Physical Fitness
- 3. Swimming Ability
- 4. Personal Flotation Equipment
- 5. Buddy System
- 6. Skill Proficiency
- 7. Planning.
- 8. Equipment
- 9. Scout discipline







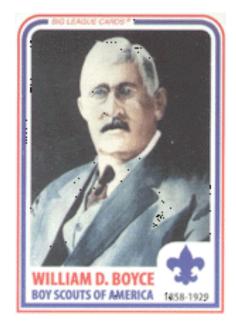
YOU KNOW YOU'RE A SCOUTER WHEN:

You can recite the 12 points of the Scout Law backwards, in order in 3 seconds flat.

Is the Council's

name for the National Youth Leadership Training program. Open to all boys who have reached First Class and gone to summer camp. Their training will help you have a "Boy Led Troop" Kodiak is the Co-ed Venturing Leadership program.

Once you have a scout who has attended NYLT, allow him to lead.



In 1909, Chicago publisher **William D. Boyce** lost his way in a dense London fog. A boy came to his aid and, after guiding the man, refused a tip, explaining that as a Scout he would not take a tip for doing a Good Turn. This gesture by an unknown Scout inspired a meeting with Robert Baden-Powell, the British founder of the Boy Scouts. As a result, William Boyce incorporated the Boy Scouts of America on February 8, 1910. He also created the Lone Scouts, which merged with the Boy Scouts of America in 1924.

Knots for Adult Leaders

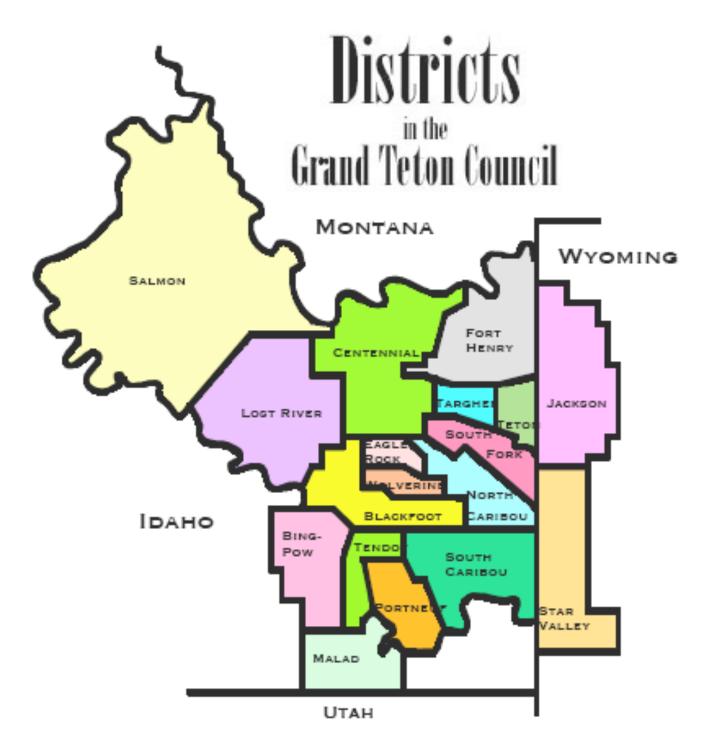
Following are some of the **knots** that can be worn by Scout leaders: Arrow of Light, Eagle Scout, Religious knot, Scout Training, Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster Award of Merit, District Award of Merit, James E. West, Silver Beaver, Heroism,



and many more. The Insignia Guide, and various internet sites list the requirements for the awards.

YOU KNOW YOU'RE A SCOUTER WHEN:

The height of your social season is the district recognition dinner.



The Council:

An organization of paid professionals and volunteers who support the scouting program. It owns and operates the Scout Service Centers and camps. It provides stores for uniforms, patches etc. It provides Wood Badge, Cedar Badge, Powderhorn, the University of Scouting and other training. - 15 -

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Aims and Methods	Noble Captain Kirk
Scouting Jargon: FOS - Friends of Scouting DE - District Executive (paid) GTC - Grand Teton Council ASM - Assistant Scoutmaster COR - Chartered Organization Rep	BP - Robert Baden-Powell CSP - Council shoulder patch CoH - Court of Honor presentative

Camping Opportunities

District

Camporee - Spring &/or Fall Winter Klondike Derby Council Jamboral - every 4 years Summer Camps -

Camp Little Lemhi

Treasure Mountain Camp of the Tetons
Island Park Scout Camp
Salmon River High Adventure Base
Krupp Scout Hollow (Cubs & Wood badge)



High Adventure Bases -

Philmont Scout Ranch - The council has a Trek on odd years.

Florida Sea Base

Northern Tier Canoe base

Summit Bechtel Reserve - opening in 2012 for the Jamboree

National Jamboree

World Scout Jamboree

The District:

Each district is responsible for providing a quality Boy Scout program to the units. It has a paid director and a staff of up to 40 volunteers. They put on monthly district meetings for the Chartered Organization Representatives and other leaders and roundtables for direct contact leaders in all of the scouting families. They provide Commissioners who monitor and help units with their programs. They put on camporees, training and other district events. They also support and promote Council and National events. There are always positions available for volunteers.

Monthly Unit campouts:

It is important to have an annual calendar and stick to it. You should include quarterly courts of honor, service projects, summer camp and monthly campouts. There are many world class hiking trails, rivers and campsites in our area. Some include:

State Parks - Massacre Rocks, Harriman, Henry's Lake BLM & Forest Service campgrounds Yellowstone, Grand Teton and Craters of the Moon Green Canyon and Heise Hot Springs and many others. Scout camps when not in session.

It is important to provide a variety of activities for your Scouts: backpacking, canoeing, climbing, hiking, geocaching, bicycling, skiing, snow caving etc.

SCOUTING SAYINGS:

Never do for a Scout what he can do for himself.

Every Scout deserves a trained Leader.

It is the Patrol system that makes the troop.

Scouting is a game with a purpose.

There is no teaching to compare with example.

Show me a poorly uniformed troop and I'll show you a poorly uniformed leader.

Scouting is a safe haven.

The objective of the patrol method is not so much having the Scoutmaster trouble as to give responsibility to the boy.

A First Class Scout is fully successful.

Books and Publications:

Scouting Magazine - comes as part of your BSA registration

Boy's Life - for the youth in your unit.

Scoutmaster's Handbook
Guide to Safe Scouting
Boy Scout Roundtable Planning Guide
BSA Insignia Guide
Boy Scout Requirements (published
annually for rank & merit badges)
Troop Program Features

IF YOU TAKE THE
"OUTING" OUT OF
SCOUTING ALL YOU
HAVE IS "SC."

The Unit Committee

Each unit should have an active committee that meets once a month. Many of the members can be parents. There should be a chairman, treasurer, secretary, advancement, transportation, Scout Parent coordinator and other committee members as needed, including the Chartered Organization Representative.

The committee's job is to support the Scoutmaster and Assistants with logistics, recruit & approve new leaders, make sure that the troop is functioning properly - that it has a calendar, budget, scheduled outings, meeting plans, courts of honor - and hold boards of Review for Scouts when they advance.

The committee should review and adopt the <u>Journey to Excellence</u> program.

Run the Twelve By Leland Tomlinson (Follow Me Boys tune)

Run the twelve boys, run the twelve.

Never shrink, stop & think & run the twelve.

It's a scout's duty to be TRUSTWORTHY,

Run the twelve boys, run the twelve.

LOYAL, HELPFUL too, FRIENDLY & true blue

Never shrink, stop & think & run the twelve.

CHORUS:

Run the Twelve Boys, run the twelve.

Make decisions with your heart,

That's the place you need to start.

Then run the Twelve boys, run the twelve.

Never shrink, stop & think & run the twelve.

COURTEOUS & KIND, hand in hand you'll find.

Run the twelve boys, run the twelve.

Be OBEDIENT, problems you'll prevent.

Never shrink, stop & think & run the twelve. (CHORUS)

CHEERFUL be each day, it will light your way

Run the twelve boys, run the twelve.

Saving faithfully, then you'll be THRIFTY,

Never shrink, stop & think & run the twelve. (CHORUS)

Be BRAVE honestly, crave integrity

Run the twelve boys, run the twelve.

Mind and body CLEAN, REVERENT and serene,

Never shrink, stop & think & run the twelve. (CHORUS)



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