



# Knot Board

## The Crean Award:

**Discovery:**

Scouting Knowledge  
Patrol Activity

**Endurance:**

Develop Patrol Spirit  
Develop Teamwork  
Patrol Activity

**Terra Nova:**

Task/Role in Patrol  
Patrol Activity

**Polar:**

Patrol Activity

## The Activity:

**Objective:**

To make a knot board with your patrol

**Activity Type:**

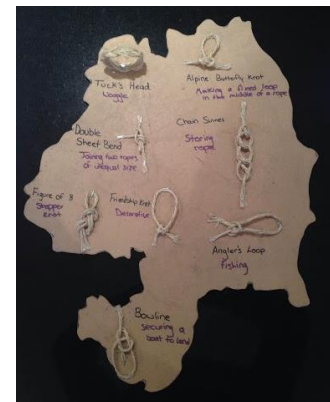
Patrol Activity

**Roles:**

Activity Leaders  
Designer  
Quartermaster

## SPICES

Intellectual  
Character



## Plan: Knot Board

### Knots:

Make out a list of knots you would like to add to your knot board; have a selection of basic and more complicated knots.

### Board:

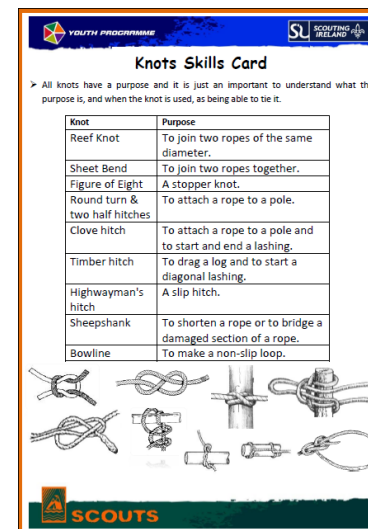
Decide what you are going to make your board with: wood, cardboard, plastic, etc. If you use a substance you can cut, you should design a shape for the board that reflects your patrol or troop.

### Rope:

Buy lengths of rope for the board; if they are connecting knots (that is, knot to tie two pieces of rope together) it is best to get ropes of different colours so you can more easily understand the knots.

### Other Equipment:

You will also need labels for the knots, a way of securing the knots to the board (staples, glue, etc), and paint if you want to decorate your board.



Check out the Knots Skills Cards for some suggested knots: [goo.gl/lx7uQh](http://goo.gl/lx7uQh)



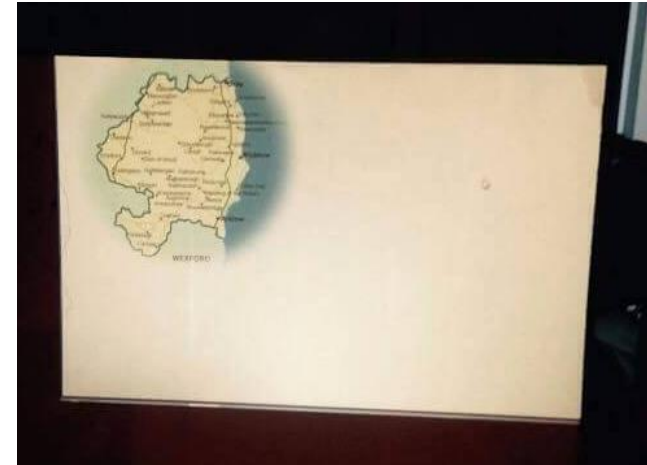
## Do: Knot Board

### Making the Board:

Get the substance you will make the board from (wood, cardboard, vinyl). Create what shape you would like it to be, such as your patrol symbol, a boat, or your county.

1. Project the design on to material you will be making the board from.
2. Trace it out carefully
3. Cut it out, carefully

*Please ensure that an cutting is done using the correct equipment by a person who is qualified and experienced in using it. If the board is being made from wood please ensure some suitable is cutting it out.*



## Do Knot Board



### Knots:

Tie your knots; try and come up with the best example knot you can, practice beforehand.

### Board:

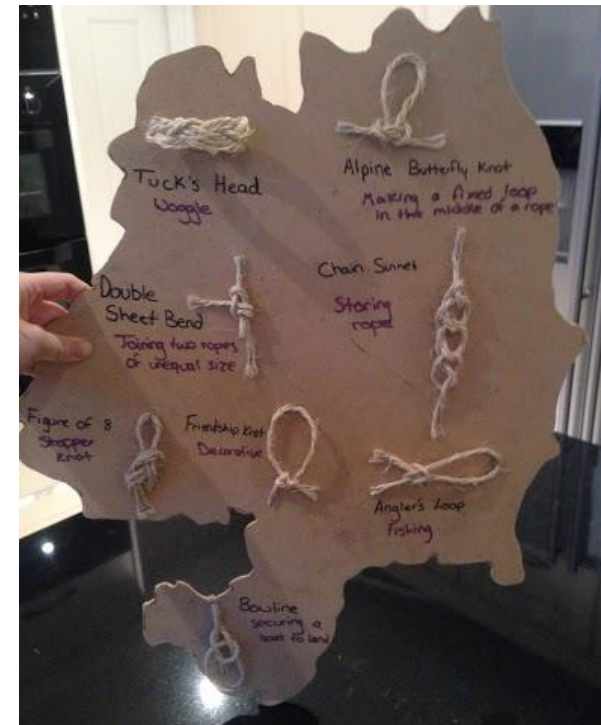
Secure the knots on to your board: you can use glue or a staple gun. Be careful using these, ensure there is proper supervision.

### Label:

Put a name under all your knots; may print these labels or get someone with nice handwriting to write the name on the board?

### Display:

Put up your knot board in your meeting place or patrol area.





## Review

What new knots did you learn?  
Did you enjoy doing it?

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When could you use the knots on your knot board?

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*What can we do next?*





# Review "SPICES"

## **Social**

- Relationships
- Communication Skills
- Other Cultures
- Community Involvement
- Promise & Law

## **Physical**

- Eat Well
- Personal Hygiene
- Balanced Lifestyle
- How Body works
- Physical Limitations
- Health Choices
- Access Help

## **Intellectual**

- Achieving Goals
- New Ideas/Creativity
- Learn from Decisions
- Team Member

## **Character**

- Promise & Law
- Friends & Friendships
- Plan before do
- Ensuring Fairness
- Respect
- Differences & Views
- Following Dreams
- Live the Scouting Spirit

## **Emotional**

- Aware of feelings
- Asking/Giving Help
- Responsibility for Emotions
- Controlling Emotions
- Going Further
- Beliefs & Values
- Developing Talents

## **Spiritual**

- Promise & Law
- Impact on Environment
- Reflection
- Changing Beliefs





## Scouter Notes

This is a simple patrol activity that is a good way to develop patrol spirit and work on a patrol identity. It is a defined project which requires planning, organisation, and focus.

In reviewing the activity, maybe the participating scouts could think about:

- What new knots they learnt? When would they use these?
- How did they decided on the shape of the board and what knots to include?
- What was their individual role?

The activity leaders should also think about:

- How organised were we?
- Did we have all the equipment?
- Is there something different we should have done, or not done?

From the **SPICES**, parts of the *Intellectual* and *Character* area are relevant. From Character, the activity can help scouts with Planning Before Doing. Making a knot board depends on good preparation. In terms of Intellectual, Scouts get a chance to think imaginatively and work in new areas.

