

Playacting

Skits are a type of playacting; so are the jungle dances found in *The Wolf Cub Leader's Handbook*. Role-playing (the art of imitating another person) is a form of playacting.

Playacting comes naturally to the Cubs' world of make believe. Help them by giving ideas for skits and plays. You might even lead the jungle dances. Perhaps you can direct the Cubs in a play to earn your Scout Performing Arts Badge, and to help them with their Cub Entertainer Badge.



Here are some hints:

1. Set the play up in a place where all can see it.
2. Be firm about the audience paying attention.
3. Make sure everyone has a part.
4. Make sure the Cubs speak loudly and clearly.
5. Discourage rough and rowdy skits, especially around a campfire.
6. Let the Cubs dress up and use props.
7. Set a time limit.
8. Discourage skits that are in “bad taste” or make fun of others.

Several excellent resource books include Scouts Canada’s *Best of the Leader Cut-Out Pages* and *The Campfire Book*.

Favourite Skits:
