

HOLIDAY LIGHTS: DECEMBER 2008 AND 2012 CUB THEME DEN LEADERS

Core Values & Character Connections (know-commit-practice):

Citizenship, Compassion, Cooperation, Courage, Faith, Health & Fitness,
Honesty, Perseverance, Positive Attitude, Resourcefulness, Respect, Responsibility

Highlighted Purposes of Cub Scouting developed this month:

Family Understanding, Spiritual Growth, Friendly Service, Faith

EDGE (explain, demonstrate, guide, enable): Youth Leaders= Denner, Assistant Denner, Den Chief

Tiger (Achievements)	Tiger (Electives)	Tiger (with most themes)
1F Chore with Adult 1G Go to: Discover How Family Life was Same/Different Years Ago 3Fb Lost Plan in Strange Place	E 1 Talk about a Family Celebration E 2 Make a Decoration E 4 Make a Frame for Family Picture E 5 Make a Family Mobile E 10 Chore for Elderly/Shut-in E 11 Help Collect for Needy E 12 2 Decorations for Hospital/LongCare E 36 Live Play/Music Performance	Bobcat Requirements 2d Practice Pledge & Flag Ceremony E 6 Teach a Song E 14 Read Short Story/Magazine E 20 Tiger Cub Skit E 24 Help in the Kitchen E 25 Snack Time

Wolf (Achievements)	Wolf (Electives)	Bear (Achievements)	Bear (Electives)
4e 1 month Family Chores 4d When You Leave Home 4f Visit Important/Historic Place 10a Cooperation 10b Make Game/Play w/Family 10c Walk w/Family 10d Read book with Family 10e TV show/Radio 10f Live Performance w/Family 10g Board Game Night w/Family 11a Faith w/Family 11b Duty to God w/Family 11c 2 Ways to Live Beliefs:Do1 11d How To Help Your 'Church'	3a Make Recipe Card Holder 4a Pie-tin Washer Toss 4b Marble Shooter 4c Ring Toss 4d Beanbag Toss 9a Help with Party 9b-c Make a Gift 11c Sing 3 Cb Scout Songs 17c Wrap & Tie a Package 20d Skiing 20e Ice Skating	1a Faith w/Family 1b Week Check List to Live Religion 2 Religious Emblem 6e Energy Use 6f Electricity Use 7c Crime Prevention for Home 8d Family Tree or History 9a Bake Cookies 9b Make Den Snack 9f Dessert for Family 10a Evening out w/Family 10b Family Fun Night at Home 12d Go to Outdoor Event 12e Plan Outdoor day w/ Family 13f Board Game w/Family w/ play \$\$ 17a TV show w/Family 17b Play Charades 24f Compassion	1(a-f) Space 4(a-e) Electricity 8(a-d) Cb Scout Band 9a Art Project 20b Skiing 20c Ice Skating
Patches: Hometown Discovery, U of U Observatory		Belt Loops: Astronomy, Heritages, Ice Skating, Snow Ski & Board,	

CHEERS

Light Bulb Applause: Pretend like screwing in light bulb, saying, "Bright, bright, bright."SCCC-2000

Star Cheer: Crouch down with hands on knees, then straighten up and extend your arms high and wide, and shout, "What a star you are!"Baloo's Bugle 2004

Baloo's Bugle 2005:

Good Turn Applause: Stand up and turn around.

Great Job Cheer: Have one half of the audience say "Great" and the other half say "Job." Alternate each side.

Ice Cube Cheer: Shape an ice cube with a thumb and index finger, saying, "COOOOOOOL!"

Double Ice Cube Cheer: Make an ice cube with a thumb & index finger of each hand, say, "TOOOOO COOOOOOOL!"

Present Cheer: Pretend that you are opening a present. When you open the box, say, "Oooh, Aaaaah!"

SKITS

A Bad Turn (Piedmont Area Council-Baloo's Bugle 2005)

Akela: "Now, (Cubs name), you know you should always do Good Turns."

Cub # 1: I tried, honest!

Akela: OK

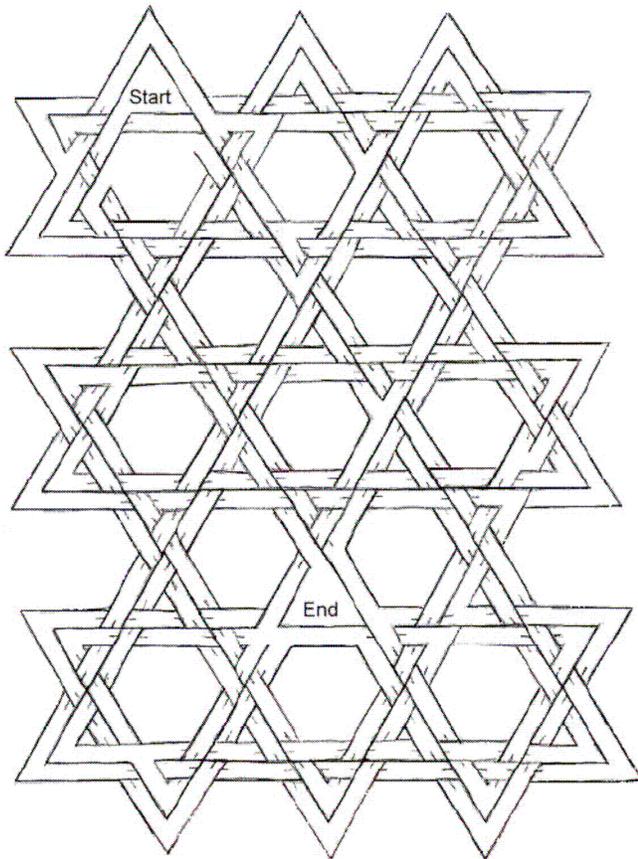
Each Cub enters and says similar things to Akela

Last Cub: (carrying a small frying pan with a "pancake" in it) I did a good turn!

He flips pancake over and catches it in pan. But you should see the mess in the kitchen! (Other Cubs look ashamed)

PRE-OPENERS

Stars of David Maze



Find the correct path from Start to End.
Paths may go under bridges.

Santa Clara Pow Wow Book 2005

Good Will Word Search

Piedmont Area Council

H	A	P	P	Y	B	A	E	S	K	J
M	E	O	D	O	E	R	D	C	U	B
E	O	L	O	U	S	R	J	T	L	P
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E	J	E	E	O	L	N	N	H	V	S
E	E	L	S	S	Y	T	D	T	E	N

mom	best	kindness
happy	arrow	cub
fun	of	scout
meeting	light	snow
dad	gift	boys
wolf	pack	bobcat
Webelos	helping	den
tree	other	awards
do	people	ox
your	nine	send

Baloo's Bugle 2005

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

The Fire of the DRAGON Sam Houston Area Council

Divide the group into six smaller groups and assign each group one of the words listed below. Practice the parts as you assign them. Read the story. After each of the words is read pause for the group to make the appropriate response.

ORION "Char-r-r-ge"

PEGASUS "Nei-i-i-gh"

BIG DIPPER "DRIP! – DRIP!"

LITTLE DIPPER "drip - drip"

DRAGON "Fire & Brimstone"

MILKY WAY "Moooo"

On a clear night in the winter months, you can look up in the sky and see something happening, if you use your imagination. We are going to do just that tonight. Pay attention now, so you won't miss any of the story.

Once upon a time, on a very dark night, a great hunter named ORION ___ started out to hunt a DRAGON ___. Now everyone knows that a DRAGON ___ can set almost anything on fire and ORION ___ knew this, so he took along with him the BIG DIPPER ___ and the LITTLE DIPPER ___ and the MILKY WAY ___.

As he mounted his horse, PEGASUS ___, he spilled the MILKY WAY ___ and had to dismount and refill the BIG DIPPER ___ and the LITTLE DIPPER ___. Once again he mounted PEGASUS ___ and away they flew, because PEGASUS ___ had wings and could fly through the sky. "Now to find the DRAGON ___, " thought ORION ___. "He must be around here somewhere," and just then he saw him. He was really hard to miss as the DRAGON ___ was up to his old trick of breathing fire just to scare people.

"Whoa, PEGASUS ___, " said ORION ___. "We must sneak up on him or he'll burn us up before we can put out his fire." PEGASUS ___ stopped and ORION ___ got off and took with him the BIG DIPPER ___ and the LITTLE DIPPER ___. Very carefully, ORION ___ made his way toward the DRAGON ___, then just as he was about to pour the MILKY WAY ___ from the BIG DIPPER ___ and the LITTLE DIPPER ___ on him, the DRAGON ___ turned and saw him and started spouting dreadful fire at him

When PEGASUS ___ saw what was happening, he flew over the DRAGON ___, beating his wings. At the same time, ORION ___ threw the MILKY WAY ___ from the BIG DIPPER ___ and the LITTLE DIPPER ___ on him and put out his fire. The DRAGON ___, with his fire out, turned and fled into the darkness and to this day he will only appear in the daylight. Today he is known to us as the sun.

OPENING/FLAG

Opening Ceremony (Trapper Trails Council-Ballo's Bugle 2000)

Preparation: Find the following items and attach the words for that item on them somewhere. Candle, wreath, candy cane, red tree ornament, and star tree topper. Put all items in a basket to have boys pull out during ceremony. You could predetermine who is going to pull out what from the basket, reminding them that the star is last if you use the alternative ending. This is a ceremony that you can be creative with, you can add other items as necessary for the number of boys in your den.

Candle: This is the candle Mary and Joseph used to find their way in the dark.

Wreath: This wreath symbolizes the eternal nature of man; it has no beginning and no end.

Candy cane: This candy cane reminds me of the shepherd's crook used at the time of the birth of Christ.

Red tree ornament: This ornament is used to symbolize the blood Jesus shed for us.

Star tree topper: This star is a symbol of the "new star" seen when Jesus was born.

Alternative ending: This star is a symbol of the "new star" seen when Jesus was born; it is also a part of our American flag, let's stand and pledge allegiance to that flag.

Candlelight Is A Sign Of Welcome (York Adams Council-Baloo's Bugle Sept 2000)

Personnel: Akela, four Scouts. Equipment: Six candles, log or ceremony board.

Akela: Candlelight is a sign of welcome, warmth, love and joy. All over the world people use lighted candles for celebrating special occasions. On this special occasion, we too, will use candlelight. Let the candles we light represent the Spirit of Scouting and our bond with one another.

Cub #1: I am lighting this candle for Courtesy. A Scout is courteous. He is courteous to his elders, friends, teachers, and especially to other members of his family.

Cub #2: I am lighting this candle for Unity. When a boy joins a Pack, he becomes a member of a Den. When a boy crosses over and joins a Troop, he becomes a member of a Patrol. He does not work alone, but in the company of other young men. He learns to get along with others.

Cub #3: I am lighting this candle for Bravery. A Scout is courageous enough to stand up for things he knows to be right and honest, thereby making the world a better place to live.

Cub #4: I am lighting this candle for Service. A boy not only does service to himself while he is in Scouting, but he also serves others. He helps spread goodwill.

Akela: Men and times change, but principles never do. Tonight we celebrate the principles upon which Scouting was founded. These two candles, which I now light, signify the bridge we are crossing, the past with the present and the present with the future. What better way to explore the future than through Scouting.

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Christmas Tree Advancement Ceremony Viking Council

All advancement awards are placed in Christmas tree wrappings and hung on the tree. Also in each package is a Christmas tree light bulb with the Cub Scout's first name lettered on with felt-tip pen. Use pink bulbs for Bobcat; red for Wolf; green for Bear; gold for Arrow points; silver or white for silver arrow points; orange for Webelos activity badges; and a multicolored or special bulb for Arrow of Light. Boys being given awards are called forward with their parents and pin on their new award and the boys then screw in their bulbs, which remain on the tree for the rest of the meeting. Afterward, let the boys have them to take home.

CLOSING/ CUBMASTERS MINUTE

Starry Night (Greater St. Louis Area Council) (Dim or turn off room lights except for an electric candle or flashlight)

This is the season of lights and stars, when days are short and nights are long with beautiful stars.

Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, once said this to his scouts, "I often think when the sun goes down, the world is hidden by a big blanket from the light of heaven. But the stars are little holes pierced in that blanket by those who have done good deeds in this world. The stars are not all the same size; some are big, and some are little. So some men have done great deeds, and some men have done small deeds, but they have all made their hole in the blanket by doing good before they went to heaven." Let's remember when we look at the starry sky, to make our own hole in the blanket, by doing good deeds and helping other people.

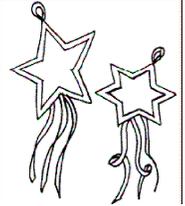
December Lights Opening or Closing-SCCC 2002

This is the season of lights. It is a time when the days are shorter and the nights are long. But, somehow, things seem brighter. Houses and buildings are bright with holiday lights. Thousands of homes display single candles to light the way for the Christ Child. Thousands of others burn candles to commemorate the miracle of the oil of Hanukkah. Even the stars in the winter sky seem brighter. The most brilliant glow comes from the spirit of goodwill that you live all year round in the Cub Scout Promise and the Law of the Pack. Let us all stand and repeat them together.

GAMES/ ACTIVITIES/ CRAFTS

SHOOTING STARS OR HANUKKAH STAR (Southern NJ Council)

1. Draw a five-point star or a six-point Star of David about 3 inches across on cardboard for pattern (enlarge to desired size).
2. Then draw a slightly smaller star pattern.
3. Use two different colors of bright colored felt, cut a star out of each.
4. Use 2 matching ribbons colors.
5. Cut three 8-inch strands of ribbon from each color.
6. Make sure all ends are even and then staple across the top several times to hold them together.
7. Lay the large star on the table and place the stapled ribbons together in the center of the star.
8. Put glue on the back of the smaller star and turn it over and center it on the larger star, securing the ribbon strands.
9. When the glue has dried, carefully poke a small hole in the top of the star and thread a short piece of ribbon through it for a hanging loop.
10. You may add glitter, sequins, beads, or write Shalom or Peace on star with fabric paints.



Santa's Helpers Game http://familyfun.go.com/games/indoor-outdoor-games/game/famfcmas_helpers/famfcmas_helpers.html

Wrap it up and tie it with a bow, one-handed, in this entertaining competition.

WHAT YOU NEED: Boxes, Wrapping paper, Tape, Yarn

HOW TO PLAY: 1. To set up, put out one box, a sheet of wrapping paper, tape and yarn for each pair.

2. Each team must race to wrap the favors in the box and tie a bow. The catch? Each player must hold one hand behind his or her back, an impediment that makes it necessary for partners to communicate and work together.

Tiles & Hot Plates http://jas.familyfun.go.com/guestsubmit?action=displayguest&topic_id=11&guest_id=2626&category_id=

We buy cheap tiles (maybe 6" x 6") from Home Depot and our kids paint them with acrylic paint, after which we seal with acrylic sealer. They make great hot plates and great gifts for grandparents! (We are sure to add the name of the child and date at the bottom in paint too)

Sparkling Beaded Napkin Rings <http://www.amazingmoms.com/htm/christmas-crafts-for-kids-bead-napkin-rings.htm>

Your child can help you set a pretty holiday table, with these easy to make beaded napkin rings. This is also a festive touch to a New Year's Eve party table.

You'll need: Tinsel pipe cleaners (craft store), Metallic shiny pony beads

How To Make: Simply bead approximately 24 beads to the pipe cleaner, leaving about 2 inches on each end. Make a circle with the beaded segment and secure by twisting the pipe cleaner once or twice. Then loop the remaining pipe cleaner segment around a pencil to make the curly design on top.

Variation: Use two pipe cleaners for each napkin ring. This provides extra pieces to swirl and add more glitter effect.

Craft Spoon Snowman http://www.amazingmoms.com/htm/christmas__stixsnwmn.htm

You'll Need: Wooden craft spoons (the type that come packaged with ice cream cups.), Acrylic paint, Fabric paint tubes, Paint brushes, Fun foam or felt

Step 1. Paint the wooden spoons with white acrylic paint. It will take just a few minutes of drying time before handling. Children can do the next step while waiting.

Step 2. Cut & glue the hat & scarf from the fun foam or felt. I prefer fun foam. It's easier for kids to cut & glue.

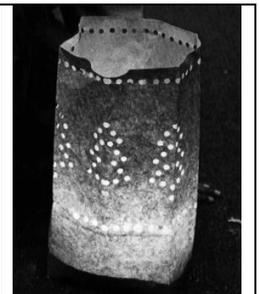
Step 3. Use fabric paint tubes for the eyes, nose, mouth and buttons.

Step 4. For an ornament or gift tag; glue a ribbon loop to the back.

To make a pin, attach a pin back. Pin backs can be found plain or with self adhesive strips already attached.



Luminarias: Take a brown paper lunch bag and trace a simple pattern in pencil on one side. Punch out your design with a hole punch. Fill each luminaria with about 2 inches of sand and sink a votive candle or tea light in the center. Place the luminaries along a walk, patio, or deck. Have a grown-up light them and then bask in the glow.



RUN-ONS/JOKES/RIDDLES

York Adams Council-Baloo's Bugle 2000:

What did the light bulb say to the generator? "I really get a charge out of you!"

How do you pick out a dead battery from a pile of good ones? It's got no spark!

What did the baby light bulb say to the mommy light bulb? "I love you watts and watts!"

Why did the lights go out? Because they liked each other!

SONGS

Tommy the Cub Scout **Santa Clara County Council 2000**

Tune: Frosty

Tommy, the Cub Scout
Was a very happy boy.
With a uniform of blue and gold
And a Den that gave him joy.

Tommy, the Cub Scout
Earned his badges one by one.
He did his best and met the test.
A good citizen he's become.

He helps out other people when
He sees they need a lot.
He does his chores around the house
And feeds his dog (named Spot).

Tommy, the Cub Scout
Does his duty willingly.
Someday he'll join a Boy Scout Troop
And a fine man he will be

A Hanukah Song **Santa Clara County Council 2000** **(Tune: Three Blind Mice)**

Eight bright lights, eight bright lights,
See how they glow, see how they glow,
They call to mind the Maccabees,
The struggle for our liberties,
The glory of their victories,
Eight bright lights.

Helping Santa Claus

Tune: Up On The Housetop
SHAC-Baloo's Bugle 2000
Down 'in the basement Cub Scouts pause,
They are helping Santa Claus.
Toys, games and puzzles and goodies, too.
Make children happy, yes they do.
Ho, ho, ho, who wouldn't go?
Ho, ho, ho, who wouldn't go?
Out helping Santa, click, click, click.
Do a service project quick, quick, quick.

When Your Helping And You Know It

(Tune: When you're happy and you know it)
Trapper Trails Council-Baloo's Bugle 2000
When you're helping and you know it,
Lend a hand
When you're giving and you show it
Things are grand
If you're helping and you're giving
Then you help make life worth living
Keep on helping, keep on giving
Take a stand

Giving Time

(Tune: Jingle Bells -chorus)
Trapper Trails Council-Baloo's Bugle 2000
Giving time, sharing time
Fun for everyone
Cub Scouts know that holidays are
The time for deeds well done
Giving time, sharing time
Let us all take part
Join with Cub Scouts all around
And give gifts from the heart

Here's A Little Candle

(Tune: Here's A Little Teapot)-SCCC 2003
Here's a little candle dressed in white,
Wearing a hat of yellow light.
When the night is dark, then you will see
Just how bright this light can be.
Here's a little candle straight and tall,
Shining it's light upon us all.
When the night is dark, then you will see
Just how bright this light can be.
Here's a little candle burning bright.
Keeping us safe all through the night.
When the night is dark, then you will see
Just how bright this light can be!

CUB GRUB

Starburst Apple English Muffins (SCCC Pow Wow December 2005)

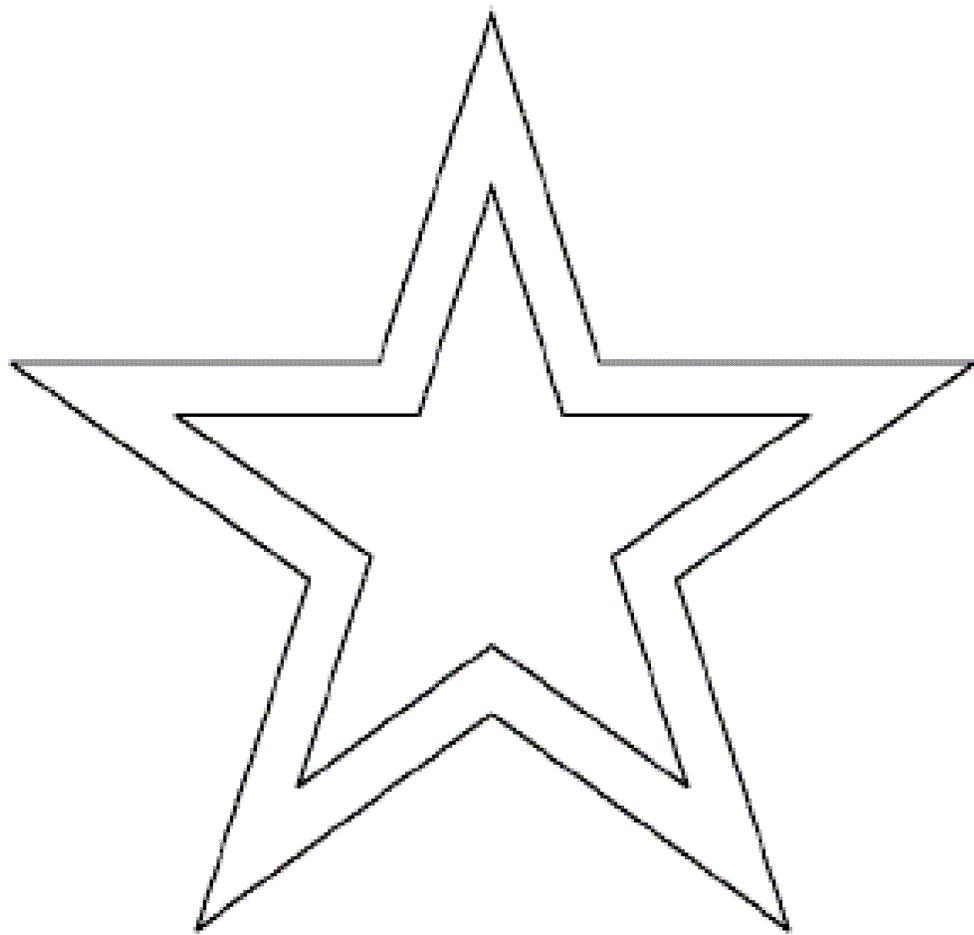
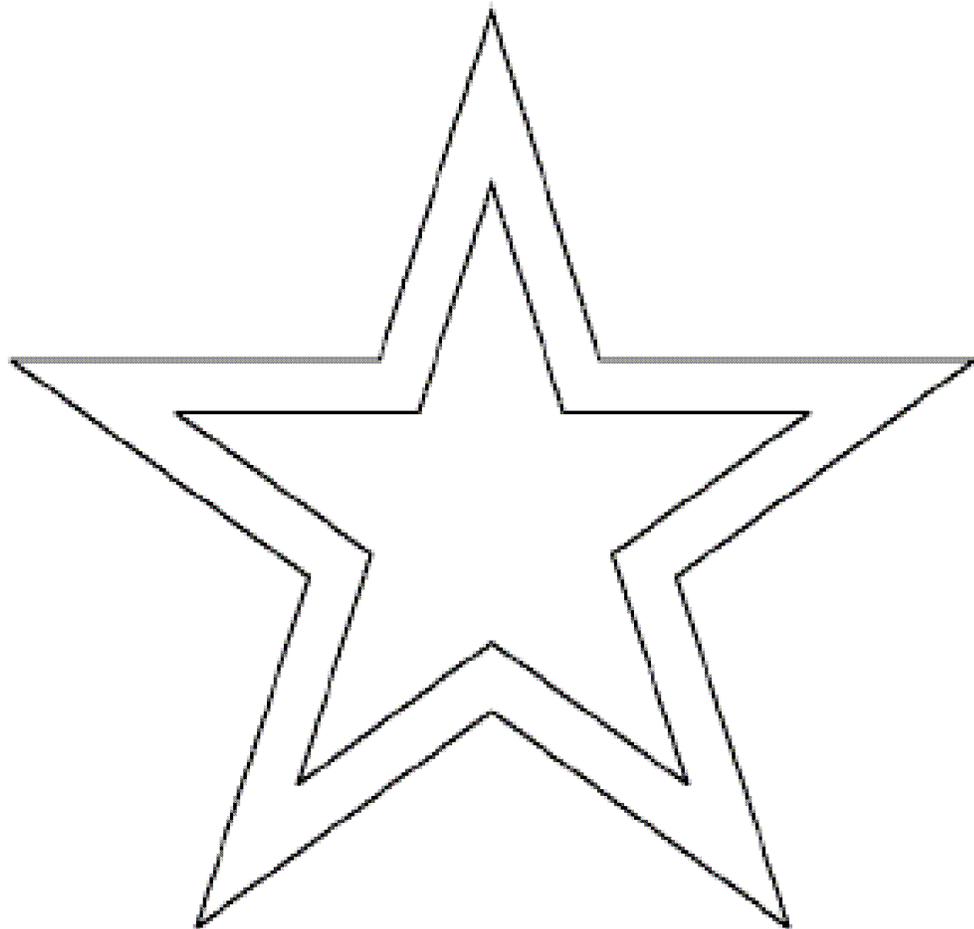
Supplies: Cutting board, Paring knife, Toaster, Table knife, Small bowl, Spoon

Ingredients:

- 2 small apples
- 8 Tbsp. light cream cheese
- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 4 English muffins
- 8 Tbsp. raisins
- 2 tsp. sugar

Directions:

1. With a paring knife, cut the apples in half. Remove the apple cores and seeds. Cut each apple half into ¼-inch slices.
2. Split open each English muffin to get 8 muffin halves. Toast the halves.
3. Use a table knife to spread 1 tsp. cream cheese on each muffin half.
4. Arrange 1 Tbsp. raisins around the edge of each muffin half.
5. Arrange sliced apples on top of each muffin in a starburst pattern.
6. In the bowl, mix the cinnamon and sugar with the spoon.
7. Sprinkle the cinnamon sugar over the muffins.



A Minute to Spend

So you have only a minute to spend?

Well, here's what a minute will buy-

A word to let someone know that you care,

A smile to a passerby,

A bit of communion with God and His world,

A "thank you" that's maybe long due,

A deep look inward to change your sights

And broaden your point of view.

If you have all of a minute to spend,

How very lucky you are!

For a minute will buy a whole heart's prayer,

And pay your way clean to a star!

(Marshall, Helen Lowrie. Hold to Your Dream. New York: Doubleday & Co., 1965.)

★ Holidays

billybear4kids.com

Candle Treats

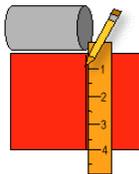
<http://www.billybear4kids.com/holidays/kwanzaa/candle/treats.html>

Materials Needed:

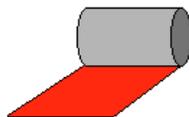
Empty Toilet Paper Roll

Construction Paper (in the colors you want for your candles)

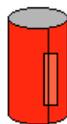
Tissue Paper (yellow and orange), String, Tape (or glue), Scissors, Ruler, Pencil, Spoon, Treats (candy, little toys, crayons)



Take your toilet paper roll and lay it down on your construction paper. Use a ruler to draw a line on the paper for the width of the paper roll as shown in the sample to your left. Use your scissors to cut along the line that you drew.



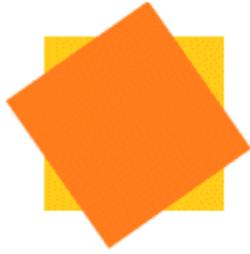
Lay the Paper Roll down on the edge of the construction paper. Tape one of the ends of the construction paper to the Paper Roll, then carefully roll the Paper Roll until you get to the end of the construction paper.



When the construction paper is all the way around the Paper Roll, put a piece of tape to hold the paper together. You can also glue the paper down instead of using tape. If you do this, put a rubber band around the Paper Roll, and allow time for this step to dry.

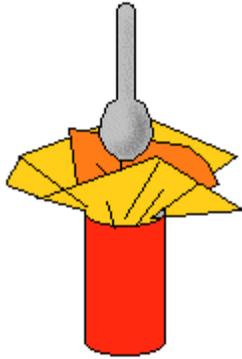


Cut two squares of tissue... one of the yellow color and one of the orange tissue paper. I use a nice sized square here so my candle flame is nice and large. Also remember when making this part of the candle, most of the tissue will be inside of the paper roll... so be generous with it's size.



Lay the tissue down, one piece on top of the other. If you angle it like the sample here to your left, both colors of the tissue will show nicely in your finished project.

***Note from Tori: I found that using 2 sheets was too thick to put treats in also. Maybe 2 could be just at the top?



Use a spoon to gently push the tissue into the Paper Roll. Don't push too hard or the tissue may rip. Once the tissue is in the Paper Roll... add your treats. This can be little toys, candy, or anything you would like to give the children for treats.



Once your treats have been added... tie off the end. Here we've used green string... but that is only so you can see where we added the tie.



With your fingers... work up the tissue to form a tip to make it look like a candle flame.



Make as many candles as there are for your celebration... at least one candle per child. These can be set up to be part of your decorations.