

"BE PREPARED"

AMERICANIZATION

THE SCOUT LAW

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

*A Scout is . . .*

**Trustworthy.** A Scout's honor is to be trusted. If he were to violate his honor by telling a lie or by cheating or by not doing exactly a given task, when trusted on his honor, he may be directed to hand over his Scout Badge.

**Loyal.** He is loyal to all to whom loyalty is due; his scout leader, his home and parents and country.

**Helpful.** He must be prepared at any time to save life, help injured persons, and share the home duties. He must do at least one good turn to somebody every day.

**Friendly.** He is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout.

**Courteous.** He is polite to all, especially to women, children, old people, and the weak and helpless. He must not take pay for being helpful or courteous.

**Kind.** He is a friend to animals. He will not kill nor hurt any living creature, needlessly, but will strive to save and protect all harmless life.

**Obedient.** He obeys his parents, Scoutmaster, patrol leader, and all other duly constituted authorities.

**Cheerful.** He smiles whenever he can. His obedience to orders is prompt and cheery. He never shirks nor grumbles at hardships.

**Thrifty.** He does not wantonly destroy property. He works faithfully, wastes nothing, and makes the best use of his opportunities. He saves his money so that he may pay his own way, be generous to those in need, and helpful to worthy objects. He may work for pay but must not receive tips for courtesies or good turns.

**Brave.** He has the courage to face danger in spite of fear, and to stand up for the right against the coaxing of friends or the jeers or threats of enemies; and defeat does not down him.

**Clean.** He keeps clean in body and thought, stands for clean speech, clean sport, clean habits, and travels with a clean crowd.

**Reverent.** He is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties, and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion.

PATRIOTISM

SCOUTCRAFT

WOODCRAFT

CHIVALRY

BROTHERHOOD

CAMPSCRAFT

SEAMANSHIP

REVERENCE

CHARACTER  
BUILDING

CITIZENSHIP  
TRAINING

"DO A GOOD TURN DAILY"