

FAMILY LIFE MERIT BADGE WORKBOOK

This Scoutmaster Bucky Merit Badge Workbook is based off the current *Scouts BSA Requirements*.

Consider also using the Family Life merit badge class preparation page for clarification and expectations when participating in a Scoutmaster Bucky merit badge opportunity ([online](#) or [in-person](#)).

<https://scoutmasterbucky.com/merit-badges/family-life/>

Scout's
Name:

Note to the Counselor Some of the issues surrounding requirement 6 for the family meeting could be considered of a personal nature. Use discretion when reviewing this requirement with the Scout.

REQUIREMENT 1: Prepare an outline on what a family is and discuss this with your merit badge counselor. Tell why families are important to individuals and to society. Discuss how the actions of one member can affect other members.

REQUIREMENT 2: List several reasons why you are important to your family and discuss this with your parents or guardians and with your merit badge counselor.

REQUIREMENT 5: Plan and carry out a project that involves the participation of your family. After completing the project, discuss the following with your merit badge counselor:

Planned and carried out a project

REQUIREMENT 5 A: The objective or goal of the project

REQUIREMENT 5 B: How individual members of your family participated

REQUIREMENT 5 C: The results of the project

REQUIREMENT 6: Do the following:

REQUIREMENT 6 A: Discuss with your merit badge counselor how to plan and carry out a family meeting.

REQUIREMENT 6 B: Prepare a meeting agenda that includes the following topics, review it with your parents or guardians, and then carry out one or more family meetings:

REQUIREMENT 6 B 1: How living the principles of the Scout Oath and Scout Law contributes to your family life

Completed

REQUIREMENT 6 B 2: The greatest dangers and addictions facing youth in today's society (examples include use of tobacco products, alcohol, or drugs and other items such as debts, social media, etc.)

Completed

REQUIREMENT 6 B 3: Understanding the growing-up process and how the body changes, and making responsible decisions dealing with sex

Completed

REQUIREMENT 6 B 4: Personal and family finances

Completed

REQUIREMENT 6 B 5: A crisis situation within your family

Completed

REQUIREMENT 6 B 6: The effect of technology on your family

Completed

REQUIREMENT 6 B 7: Good etiquette and manners

Completed

Discussion of each of these subjects may carry over to more than one family meeting.

REQUIREMENT 7: Discuss with your counselor your understanding of what makes an effective parent and why, and your thoughts on the parent's role and responsibilities in the family.