

Scout Programme 1

Theme:	Plastic Death
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Duty Patrol:

Time	Min	Activity	Equipment	Scouter
	10	Flag Break & Inspection Inspection: General Uniform	Flag	
	20	GAME: Plastic Bottle Jump Fill a 2 litre plastic bottle with some sand to weight it. Secure the bottle to a rope. An Assistant Troop Scouter will swing the bottle in a circle and the Scouts have to jump over it. Scouts are eliminated if they fail to do so.	2 litre plastic bottle filled with some sand	
	30	ACTIVITY 1: Daily use of plastic After the Scouter has spoken to Scouts about how plastic is part of daily life (conscious or sub-conscious), Patrols are to sit and think how much plastic they come into contact with during a typical day. Patrols to write down all these plastic items. During this session have the Scouts complete the self-assessment form. Have a group feedback session on findings.	Self-assessment form – page 16 in Tide Turner Action Kit	
	10	GAME: Scavenger hunt (Acknowledgement: Top 20 recycling games and activities for kids) Make a list of all the recyclable items that the Scouts have to find. Scouts have five minutes to find each of the items. The Patrol with the most number of recycled items is the winner.	Recyclable items like bottles, plastics, paper, etc.	
	45	ACTIVITY 2: When do they degrade? Each Patrols to be given certain waste items and they must decide how long it takes for them to degrade down to nothing. Discussion on their time estimations.	When do they degrade - Page 39 – Tide Turner Action Kit	
	05	Flag Down Prayer Dismiss		

Notes for Scouter:

Activity 1: Daily use of plastic

Plastics are present in our daily life, but how aware are we of this? Patrols should make a list of how many plastics 'touch' our lives every day.

Some ideas:

- Shampoo bottle
- Tooth brush
- Roll-on deodorants
- Alice bands or hair elastics
- Milk bottle or sachet
- Honey bottle
- Margarine tub
- Bread loaf wrapper
- Cooking utensils (spatula, etc.)
- Some kettles
- Tea bag (some bags have plastic)
- Milk carton
- Lunch box / bag
- School pen
- Ruler
- Plastic covers on books
- Canteen food wrapping
- Sweet wrappers
- Water bottles
- Straws
- Plastic cups
- Cell phone cover
- Head phones / air pods
- Plastics in cars/ busses
- Televisions
- Washing-up liquid bottles
- House alarm remotes
- Car keys
- CD Discs
- Some musical instruments
- Food wrappings
- Disposable nappies
- Balloons
- Shopping bags
- Cables (plastic coverings)
- Cycle Helmet
- Hose pipe
- Buckets

Activity 2 – When do they degrade?

A rope will be placed 1m above the ground. Place time markers along the rope: today, 2-6 weeks, 3 months, 6 months, 5 years, 10-20 years, 50 years, 50-80 years, 400 years, 450 years.

Each Patrol is given items which they need to peg on the 'time line' (rope) once they have decided how long it will take to degrade. Ensure the items are identifiable to each Patrol.

Give each patrol the following:

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| • Plastic coated paper | - | 3 Months |
| • Balloon | - | 6 Months |
| • Milk carton | - | 5 Years |
| • Plastic bag | - | 10-20 Years |
| • Styrofoam cup or plate | - | 50 years |
| • Beverage six-pack holder (ring holder) | - | 400 Years |
| • Disposable nappy | - | 450 Years |
| • Plastic bottle | - | 450 Years |
| • Banana Peel | - | 2 Years |
| • Paper | - | 2-6 Weeks |
| • Cotton Shirt | - | 6 Months |
| • Apple | - | 4 Weeks |

The emphasis here is that plastic pollution today can affect society up to 450 years into the future, and that could be from one person. Imagine how much pollution we are considering if that was 100 people, or 1000 people or 1 000 000 people. We owe it to future generations to look after the planet today!