



ROPES & KNOTS

CHIEF'S KIT - BUILDER



Welcome, Chief, to a hands on adventure that will be very satisfying to your boys and you! Your young men will discover new skills that will be useful, but also discover a little more about themselves, which will build confidence in them. Make this an exciting journey for your crew by making each meeting as special as you can!

This Skill Kit includes five lessons covering ten knots. Lesson 6 is a review and Lesson 7 contains the “Skill Evaluation” which gives your boys the opportunity to demonstrate they have adequately learned their lessons. The pace is up to you, your boys, and the circumstances of your meetings. Ideally, you will complete one lesson per meeting, though more time is acceptable (perhaps for additional review.) Just do all you can to avoid disruptions to your progress. Church functions and other events may require ‘time-outs’ but encourage your boys to practice their knots often between meetings. You may allow them to carry rope home with them, but much better is to have them use a shoelace of their own so your rope doesn’t ‘forget’ to come back next meeting!

Devotions for the opening, “Life” part, of your meetings and fun activities to close-out your meetings, “Boys Being Boys”, are included in this Chief’s Kit.

If you have a personal computer and use of the internet you may want to try out these resources below. However, the skill lessons and your faithful preparation is all you need to give your crew a wonderful experience.

Computer Users

Open the Chief’s Kit for Rope & Knots on our Life Builder Boys web page. Save this page onto your computer. Then, exit our website so others can use it. While connected to the internet, click on each of these knots to see step-by-step instructions on how to tie them:

Lesson 1: [Square \(Reef\) Knot](#)
[Sheet Bend Knot](#)

Lesson 3: [Pile Hitch](#)
[Clove Hitch](#)

Lesson 2: [Overhand Knot](#)
[Figure Eight Knot](#)
[Slip Knot](#)

Lesson 4: [Two Half Hitch](#)
[Taut Line Hitch](#)

Lesson 5: [Bowline Knot](#)

Also, you can find very helpful notes on a variety of things pertaining to rope usage and care. You can study for yourself and consider sharing your meetings. The more you know, the more your boys will grow!

Knot and Rope Safety: [\[Click Here\]](#)

Knot Terminology: [\[Click Here\]](#)

Rope Care: instructions on the care of rope. [\[Click Here\]](#)

Most of the above information is for the Chief’s own personal enrichment - don’t overload the boys!! Make lessons fun and they will learn. .