



Section	Beavers and Cubs	Last Updated	19.3.10
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Theme / Month	Home Hospitality	Length of Activity	60 mins
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Programme Zone	Global
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Title	Build an SOS Children's Village
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Summary	Lets Scouts explore their pre-conceptions about what makes a 'home', and encourages them to learn about more alternative home environments. Ideal for camps or residential stays.
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Details	<p>Needed: an outdoor space with plenty of leaves, sticks, branches, earth etc. Photo of an SOS Children's Village</p> <p>Start by practising free associations: Ask pack to shout out the words that they first think of when they hear the below words:</p> <p>Summer London School Home</p> <p>Encourage further discussion on the word 'Home'. Especially pay attention to anything mentioned around people in the home. Are mum and dad mentioned? Focus on what they provide, such as love and care. Point out that many children around the world get love and care from people who aren't their biological parents, such as foster carers, grandparents and older siblings.</p> <p>Tell them that one way in which nearly 80,000 children across the world live is in an SOS Children's Village. An SOS Children's Village consists of 10-12 family houses where children are looked after by local women called SOS Mothers. There are normally 7-10 children living in each house. The Children's Village will also have a school, a nursery and a medical centre, all of which are open to people who live outside the Children's Village as well.</p> <p>Now ask the pack to 'create' their own Children's Village, using what they can find around them. It must contain the buildings listed above, but it is up to the pack to create it using sticks, leaves, pine cones, branches or whatever they can find around them.</p> <p>While the Children's Village is being created, offer support for the best design: the pack should consider where the main entrance to the Children's Village should be, that the school and medical centre is easily accessible for visitors to the Children's Village, and that that there is plenty of space for the children to run around and play.</p> <p>When finished, show the photo of the SOS Children's Village in Lithuania.</p>
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