

# **Wolf Elective Adventure- Collections and Hobbies**

**OVERVIEW:** If your Scouts don't have any collections already, it's a great time to start. This is a fun introduction to hobbies that could last a lifetime.

## **Supplies Needed**

- Access to the internet using a computer, tablet, or smart phone.
- Paper and something to write with.
- Any of your own collection(s).
- An empty book or journal.

## **Adventure Requirements**

1. Begin a collection of 10 items that all have something in common. Label the items and title your collection.
2. Share your collection at a den meeting.
3. Complete *one* of the following and tell your den what you learned:
  - 3A. Visit a show or museum that displays different collections or models.
  - 3B. Watch a webcast or other media presentation about collecting or model building.
4. Complete *one* of the following:
  - 4A. Create an autograph book, and get 10 autographs. Start with members of your den.
  - 4B. With your parent's or guardian's permission, pick a famous living person, and write him or her a letter. In your letter, ask the person to send you an autographed photo.

**Suggested Teaching Approaches (notes for den leaders, parents or helpful adults)**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Teaching Approach</b>
1. Begin a collection of 10 items.	Maybe you already have this. Do you collect something? Rocks, coins, baseball cards, anything? Maybe you collect caps or candy wrappers or a particular kind of book. Put your collection together and then label its items. Pretend your collection was displayed in a museum. Really make it look good.
2. Share your collection at a den meeting.	This may be hard during quarantine. Can you take pictures or video and share them? Or does your den meet online?
3A. Visit a show or museum that displays collections or models.	This will definitely be hard when museums are closed, but luckily you can do Req. 3B instead.
3B. Watch a webcast or other media presentation about collections or models.	You can find presentations about collections using google or youtube, and you will notice that people collect all kinds of things. The link beneath this table is a good start.
4A. Create an autograph book and get 10 autographs.	Use an empty book or journal to collect signatures from different people. If coming in contact with others is difficult right now, that's OK. You can do Req. 4B instead.
4B. Write a letter to a famous person and ask for their autograph.	Pick someone that entertains you or someone that you admire. Why is that person important to you? Tell them about it in a letter. Also in your letter, ask them for an autograph. Many times, you'll get something back. And sometimes... you won't. So maybe send more than one. This is also a great time to practice letter-writing skills. A sample letter is at the end of this lesson plan, and there's also a good one in the Wolf handbook.

YouTube Link to Collections and Hobbies Playlist

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b55pNh71LtY&list=PLKFP2rU1tFtdahmUpL9M8mNqYK6zIbXV>

## **SAMPLE LETTER**

June 12, 2020

Mr. Chaz Razzmatazz  
123 Moviestar St.  
Hollywood, CA 90028

Dear Mr. Razzmatazz,

I'm writing this letter to let you know what a big fan I am of your movies.

My favorite movie you've been in is Super Fast Cars. I loved the part where you drove that car super fast. I also liked Super Fast Cars 2 and Super Fast Cars 4. You're good at being really serious but also sometimes really funny, too. I like action movies probably because I like sports and being outdoors so much. I'm also a Cub Scout, and writing this letter is part of working on my Wolf badge.

It would really mean a lot to me if you could send me an autographed picture of yourself. I've included a self-addressed stamped envelope, and I'd love to show off your autograph to my friends. Thanks for reading.

Sincerely,

Joey Bland  
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South Pasadena, CA 91030