Session Three
Introduction

Time Allowed
5 minutes

Teaching Objectives
• Remind participants that they are gradually covering the methods of Scouting.
• Briefly review the key points of Session One and Session Two.
• Preview the contents and methods of Session Three.

Materials Needed
• Poster featuring the methods of Scouting
• Posters featuring the schedules of Session One, Session Two, and Session Three
• PowerPoint® slides or overheads from CD, if desired
• Flip chart or other means of writing discussion notes

Recommended Facility Layout
Session meeting area. Each participant should have a comfortable place to sit, take notes, and organize written materials. That setting most often consists of tables, each accommodating six to eight participants forming a patrol, and enough chairs for all participants.

Delivery Method
• Instructor-led discussion
Presentation Procedure

Instructors’ Note

The degree of detail required for this presentation depends upon whether the three sessions of Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training are being offered on separate evenings or over the course of a single day.

• Instructors of sessions occurring on separate evenings can use the introduction to remind participants what has occurred in the sessions leading up to this one and to focus the group’s attention on the presentations to come.

• Participants completing all the sessions in a single day may need little review. Instructors can point out connections between the course structure and the methods of Scouting, then offer a brief preview of Session Three.

Remind participants that the New Leader Essentials training they have completed, and the three sessions of Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training they are currently engaged in, are an exploration of the eight methods of Scouting.

The Methods of Scouting

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Review of Session One

A brief review of the topics covered up to this point may be helpful, especially in training formatted to occur over a number of evenings rather than compressed into a single day. During the course overview of Session One, participants received a course schedule. Instructors can refer participants to that handout to reinforce this review. It may also be effective to have the schedules of Session One and Session Two written on posters or flip chart pages and displayed on the walls of the meeting room.
The review should not take up much time. In fact, simply pointing out the titles of the presentations and establishing a transition into Session Two will probably be sufficient.

### Session One

**Getting Started: The Role of the Scoutmaster in a Boy-Led Troop**

1. Preopening Activity
2. Welcome and Participant Introductions
3. Course Overview
4. The Role of the Scoutmaster
5. Troop Organization
6. Troop Meetings
7. Working With Boy Leaders/The Patrol Method
8. Patrol Leaders’ Council

### Review of Session Two

The review of Session Two should also be brief. Session Two touched on all of the eight methods of Scouting, but devoted the most attention to two of those methods—the outdoors and advancement.

### Session Two

**Lighting the Fire: The Outdoor Program and the Advancement Program**

1. Preopening Activity
2. Introduction
3. Sizzle of the Outdoor Program
4. Nuts and Bolts of the Outdoor Program
5. Outdoor Program Patrol/Group Activity
6. Start, Stop, Continue Assessment Tool
7. Advancement Program
Preview of Session Three
Direct the attention of participants to the poster listing the presentations to be included in Session Three. Point out that much of this session is directed toward skills and resources Scoutmasters can use to operate an efficient troop and enable full implementation of the eight methods of Scouting. It also spotlights the importance of the uniform as one of the methods of Scouting.

Session Three
Keeping It Going: Program Planning and Troop Administration
1. Preopening Activity
2. Introduction
3. Program Planning
4. Membership
5. Paperwork
6. Finances
7. The Uniform
8. Other Training Opportunities
9. Summary and Closing