

American Heritage

Your counselors have outlined below how they would like you to approach each of the requirements:

Requirement 1: Do the requirement in advance, and be prepared to discuss with the group. Make sure that you understand all of the concepts of the paragraph in the Declaration of Independence, and its importance.

Requirement 2: If 2a selected, write out and explain in class the two individual's accomplishments and contributions to America's heritage (history). If 2b selected, write out and discuss in class the organization's proposed change, why the organization believed change necessary and how organization helped accomplish change. If 2c selected, interview to veterans using tips on booklet page 29, and tell class about their experience and what they believed they accomplished. If 2d selected, interview three persons as requirement specifies and tell class that the persons said.

Requirement 3: Do the requirement. Fill answers in your workbook, and bring supporting material.

Requirement 4: Do what the requirements specify, write down what you learned, and present to class.

Requirement 5: If 5a selected, view the films, make notes to present in class. Google or Wikipedia will be helpful in analyzing the films. If 5b selected, make notes and tell the class what you admired and didn't admire about the person. If 5c selected, tell the class the five songs, the period when popular, and how the song lyrics reflect the way some people felt at the time.

Requirement 6: Do the requirement. Remember, in addition to researching a career opportunity that interests you, you need also to report on other careers in American heritage.

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Note from the Counselors: This is a great merit badge for high school age Scouts who like history and might be considering a career in teaching, government, journalism, or law. It is quite rigorous, and requires considerable reading, researching and interviewing. To earn the badge you will need to print out the workbook, write out the answers for each requirement, and be prepared to discuss them with the other candidates at the merit badge seminar.