

Beavers Cyclist Badge

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Overview

For this task you will demonstrate how to pump up a tyre.

Preparation Before The Meeting

1. Gather materials for your demonstration

Materials Needed

- A bycle and a pump

Preparation At The Meeting

1. Create a demonstration area that can be seen by all children

Directions/Leader Speak

1. **Speak** - The next task you need to complete for your 'Cyclist Badge' is to know how to pump up a tyre. In some cases your tyre may have a puncture and sometimes it may have just gone a little flat. If you have a puncture this is a little more complicated to fix you will learn this when you move up to Cubs.
2. **Speak** - For tonight you are just going to pump up a tyre that has become a little flat
3. **Action** - Demonstrate how to pump up a tyre
4. **Direction** - Your demonstration will depend on the type of pump you are using. Practise using it yourself before demonstrating to the children. The more proficient you are the better the demonstration will be for them.
5. **Direction** - Point out that they should be careful not to over-inflate the tyre (most tyres will have written on the side the suggested pressure range). Because it could cause the tyre to explode off the rim
6. **Direction** - Generally, you can find a happy medium between the two through experimentation, and depending on your weight, where you ride, and how much cushioning you want the tyre to provide
7. **Direction** - If you have time and enough equipment allow the Beavers to have a little practise

IMPORTANT TIPS ON DEMONSTRATING...

1. Make sure that all the children are in a position to see what's going on, if not they'll get bored and probably won't even look. If you have a large group it would be good to maybe have two demonstrations going on at once
2. Speak loud and clear
3. Show everything that you are doing clearly
4. Repeat what you are saying and point to the parts you are referring to
5. Let the children get involved wherever possible
6. Ask the children questions as you go along i.e. about each part of the procedure