

GSSI Night Hike Patch



You can check out one of the Night Hike Patch kit boxes from the service centers, or download the Night Hike activity manual from our website for more activities and ideas. If you have any questions about the activities, please contact Emily Stanley, STEM Program Manager at estanley@gsfsi.org or 800-345-6858 ext 111.

1. Play an outdoor game at night – flashlight tag, bat and moth, night watchman, wolf pack, etc. Which game did you play and how was it different from a game you played during daylight?
2. Hold up a flashlight on a light surface and see how many bugs are attracted to the light. Why do you think bugs are attracted to light? Pick one bug you saw and draw it below:
3. Go on a night hike and look for eye shine reflected back at you. (You can use the reflective eyes from the kit or make your own if you don't think you will see any wildlife!) What makes an animal's eye reflect the light? How does this help them see?
4. Turn off your flashlight and sit quietly in the dark. Name an animal you hear. What do you think this animal is doing at night? What do you think it does during the day?
5. Check your vision by trying this activity:
Pair up and focus on your partner's face. You will notice your partners' heads begin to disappear. Simply shift your eyes back and forth to make the head reappear. Your peripheral vision helps you navigate at night. What would happen if you walked down a trail and only focused ahead?
6. Try a few owl calls and see if you get a response! Three owls we have in our council are the
 - a. Great Horned Owl (Whooo's awake? Meee toooo)
 - b. Barred Owl (Who cooks for you, Who cooks for you all?)
 - c. Screech Owl (make a whinny through your nose like a horse)Why do you think owls call at night?

Please return this form and your check made out to GSSI to order the GSSI Night Hike patch with glow in the dark eyes.

Leader/Advisor/Girl Name: _____

Troop #: _____ Number of Girls: _____

Age/Program Level: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Number of patches _____ x \$2.00 = _____ (Total)

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