



South London Scouts

Meeting the challenge

ACTIVITY: Island survival and decision making



- ✿ Pens and/or pencils
- ✿ A copy of the meeting the challenge survival diary or a pad to record your adventure
- ✿ String, straws, either pencils, lolly sticks, twigs (or similar), paper

You have been stranded on an island. You will need to survive there until you are rescued. You'll sleep under the stars, cook on an open fire and you might even have to eat bugs!

A

Kit

What objects would you want to have if you had to survive on a desert island?
What items would you want if you could only have **six**?

We're not talking about your favorite things, but life-or-death decision-making, items that will help you survive.

Sleeping bag	Sun cream	Hat	Bug spray	Metal bowl	Wooden spoon
Box of matches	Hammock	Jar of peanut butter	Tape measure	Flip-flops	Comic
Knife, fork, spoon	Wi-Fi only iPad	Snorkel mask and fins	Kettle	Mug	Fishing net
Solar charger	Teddy bear	Loo roll	MP3 player	A spear	Wash kit
Bush craft knife	Your favorite book	Led torch	Camera	Inflatable raft <small>(it has a slow puncher so you can't get far!)</small>	Cooking pot
Wristwatch	Paracetamol	Plasters <small>(for cuts)</small>	Tarpaulin	Rope	2 tent pegs
Hand saw	Newspaper	Hiking boots	Multi vitamins	Compass	Cotton wool
Antibiotics	Shovel	Rucksack	FM radio	Beach ball	Sunglasses
Towel	Cooking oil	Water bottle	Raincoat	Spare underwear	Blanket
Salt & pepper	Fire lighters	String	Led lantern	Pillow	Lilo
Air bed	1 litre of fizzy drink	Pyjamas	Plastic carrier bag	Needle and cotton	Smart phone with no charge

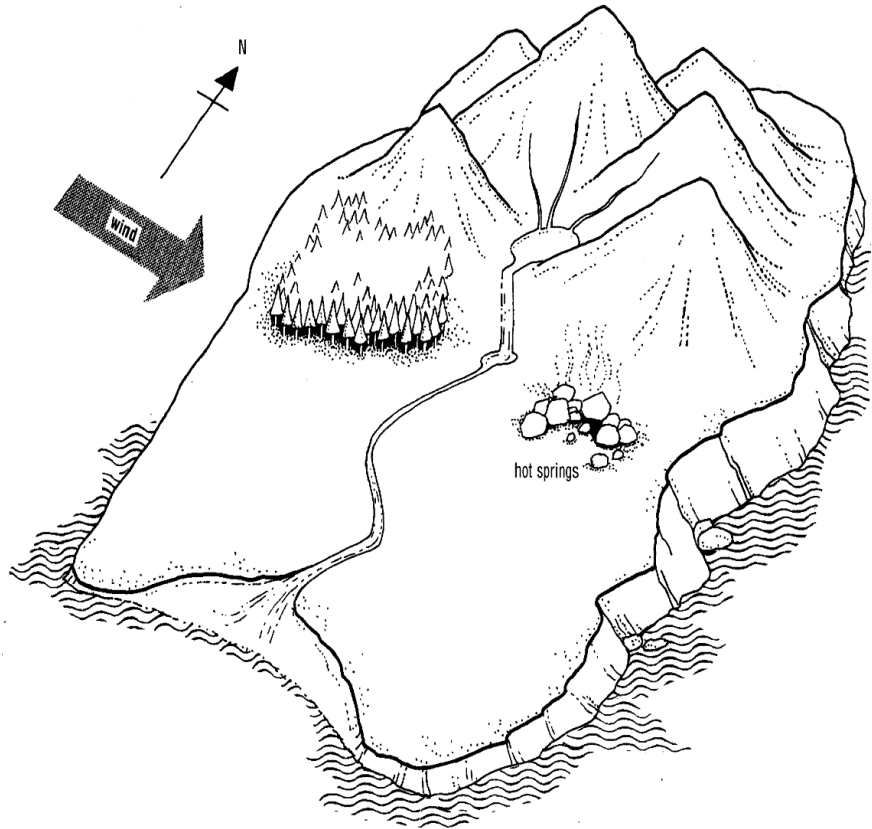
B

Setting up camp:

Living on the island won't be easy. You need to look around and decide where to set up camp as soon as possible.

Look at the map of the island –

- Where would you set up camp? Why?
- What resources (things you need) are round?
- What do you think that the climate (weather) is like?



C

Design a shelter:

Using straws as branches and twigs, string as twine, and strips of paper as leaves design and build a shelter.

- How could you add strength to your shelter?
- How does your shelter protect you from...
 - ... Rain?
 - ... Wind?
 - ... Animals?

Draw your design on the record sheet

D

Clean drinking water:

You cannot survive long without clean water however the pure water you can get comes from the river, but it had mud and other bits in it.

You have filter paper, 4 funnels and plastic beakers with you. Can you work out how to get clean water using this equipment.

Draw a diagram of how you plan to use the equipment.

E	First day and night at camp: Write diary of your first day and night in camp. Make sure to include how you are feeling.
F	Getting off the Island You've had enough of the island now and decide to find a way to leave. You decided to use the resources on the island to build a boat to get back to the mainland. You have no idea how far it is or how long it will take you to get there. Design a boat or raft that can safely carry you off the island. It will need to be able to survive rough seas and high winds. Write a list of what you will take with you on your journey back to the mainland. Make sure to explain why you will take it with you.
G	Write your diary entry of your journey to the mainland. Make sure to include how you are feeling.