

BROTHERHOOD QUESTIONNAIRE GUIDE

The following questions will be used for the examination of candidates for Brotherhood membership.

1. **Q. What is the name of the initial membership in the Order of the Arrow?**

A. Ordeal Membership.

2. **A. Why is it so called?**

A. Because it is preceded by a fourfold Ordeal.

3. **Q. What are the four parts of this Ordeal and their respective purposes?**

A. A night of camping alone under the heavens, to prove my self-reliance; a day of arduous toil, to indicate my willingness to server others; 24 hours of scant food, to demonstrate my power of self-denial; and a like period of silence, to turn my thoughts inward.

4. **Q. How were you prepared for the Ordeal?**

A. I was led by Kichkinet to the north end of camp, where the significance of the Arrow was first revealed as I tested the bow.

5. **Q. When you had completed the Ordeal, how were you dealt with?**

A. I was placed on the trail, which leads to the circle of the lodge.

6. **Q. By whom were you first stopped as you approached the circle?**

A. by Nutikut, the guard, who asked if I had passed the Ordeal without flinching.

7. **Q. Who next barred your further progress?**

A. Meteu, who had inquired if I had been given the Admonition.

8. **Q. Had you been given the Admonition?**

A. I had not, but Kichkinet, my guide, had and gave it for me.

9. **Q. Before whom did you then at last arrive?**

A. Before Allowat Sakima, the chief of the fire, who asked if I had been completely prepared to receive the Obligation?

10. **Q. What was Kichkinet's reply to this inquiry?**

A. Only in the binding of them together.

11. **Q. How did Kichkinet call the attention of each of these officers to your presence?**

A. By three taps of the hand upon the right shoulder.

12. **Q. What did these three taps signify?**

A. The three parts of the Scout Oath or Promise.

13. **Q. How did each of the officers respond to Kichkinet's taps?**

A. By one tap, followed by two taps, on the right shoulder.

14. **Q. What did these taps represent?**

A. The twelve points of the Scout Law.

15. **Q. How were you and your companions bound together?**

A. By a rope, which, until we took the Obligation, represented our tie to Brotherhood?

16. **Q. How was your preparation for the Obligation completed?**

A. Nutiket directed me to hold my right hand in the Scout sign and repeat the Obligation after Allowat Sakima.

17. **Q. In what did Meteu then instruct you?**

A. In the legend on which our Order was founded.

18. **Q. Who are the central figures of that legend?**

A. The aged Chieftain, Chingachgook and his son, Uncas, who by their cheerful and self-sacrificing service are said to have saved the Delaware lodges from annihilation.

19. ****Q. Repeat the Obligation.**

A. I do hereby promise on my honor as a Scout that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui. I will always regard the ties of brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish

in service and devotion to the welfare of others.

20. **Q. What did Allowat Sakima then impart to you?**

A. The symbol and handclasp of the Order, the Admonition and the sign of Ordeal membership.

21. **Q. What is the symbol of the Order?**

A. The arrow, whos undeviating course when aimed high is a token of leadership.

22. **Q. How is it worn?**

A. Pointing over the right shoulder.

23. **Q. Give me the handclasp of our Order.**

A. (Give it.)

24. **Q. How must the Admonition always be given?**

A. Whispered in the ear.

25. ****Q. What is the Admonition?**

A. (Give it.)

26. **Q. What does it mean?**

A. To love one another.

27. **Q. What is the sign of our Order?**

A. (Give it.)

28. **Q. What is the full name of our Order?**

A. Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui.

29. **Q. In what language is it given?**

A. In the language of the Delaware Indians, the Lenni Lenape.

30. **Q. What is the meaning in English?**

A. Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.

31. ****Q. Give the words of the Song of the Order.**

A. Firm bound in Brotherhood, gather the clan, That cheerful service brings to fellowman. Circle our council fire, weld tightly every link, That binds us in Brotherhood, Wi-mach-ten-dienk.

**** Denotes item must be memorized.**

Allowat Sakima = Al'-lo-wot Sa-kee'ma

Meteu = Mee-tay'-o

Nutiket = Noo-tih'-ket

Kichkinet = Kitch'-kin-et

Wimachtendienk = Wee-mok'-ten'-dee-enk

Wingolauchsik = Win'-go-louch-sick

Witahemui = Wi'tah-hem'-oo-ee