

Pathway: American Heritage

(work towards the merit badge; may not complete in one sitting)

This pathway takes about 3-4 hours to complete (depending on the size and attention of your group). The activities are educational, fun and engaging for kids and adults. These activities lean toward some of the Citizenship activities, and provide opportunity to unleash a child’s knowledge on history, community, and citizenship values. Great for a group of 4 – 8 people.

Place to visit	Activity	Requirement
John Adams Room (Classroom 2)	<p>Rewrite, in your own words, the section of the Declaration of Independence that begins with, “We hold these truths . . .” and ends with “to provide new Guards for future security.”</p> <p>Tell how the US would be different with out it.</p>	<p>1 – A.H. MB 4a. Cit Nation</p>
Egan Center	<p>On the walls of the Egan center, pick two individuals, one political leader, and one private citizen. Find out their accomplishments and compare what they have done to contribute to America’s heritage.</p>	<p>2a. A.H. MB</p>
Around Camp	<p>Talk with someone about what is happening with a topic in the news today. How would today’s news relate or affect to the events and values of America’s past?</p>	<p>3a. AH MB</p>
Freedom Trail	<p>Take a trip into Boston, walk the Freedom Trail. Discuss what you have learned. Why were the places on the trail qualified for the national register?</p> <p>Describe how a property is elligable for the National Register of Historic Places, point out those places on a map near you.</p>	<p>4e. AH MB 2a Cit Nation 4a. AH MB</p>
Around Camp	<p>Find and interview 2 veterans. Find out what their experiences were like, and ask them what they believed they accomplished.</p>	<p>2c. AH MB</p>
Music Room	<p>Listen to recordings of popular songs from various periods of American history. Take five songs, describe how each song reflects the way people felt in that period. If music is not available, have the lyrics printed.</p>	<p>5c. AH MB</p>
John Adams Room (classroom 2)	<p>Talk about the adoption of The Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, the seal, the motto, and the national anthem. Explain how each one influences Americans today. Talk about any changes that have occurred.</p>	<p>3b. AH MB</p>

On your own	Research your family's history. Find out if any events or situations in history had affected your family. If your family migrated, talk about why.	3c. AH MB
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Family / Den / Patrol Name: _____

Scout Book: the code to the right will help parents and leaders find the age appropriate requirements for various badges. By the time a Scout completes the trail, they will have checked of several requirements and earned a % of their way toward Eagle.

On and off the trail: Feel free to jump on or off the trail to follow the interests of your child / Scout.

Important Note to Parents: PLAY! The camp is designed for you too. Your Scout or child's highlight will be participating WITH you.

