

COMPUTER PALS

Divide the group into seven smaller groups and assign each group one of the words listed below. Read the story. After each of the words is read pause for the group to make the appropriate response. ALL should do SCOUT/SCOUTING.

JEFF	"Whew, it's hot!"
MOUSE	"Squeak, Squeak"
VAUGHN	"Burrrrrrrr, it's cold!"
NOME, ALASKA	"Watch out for the moose!"
E-MAIL	"Zoom, Bing!"
ORLANDO, FLORIDA	"Mickey Mouse"
SEND	"Click, Swish!"
KEYBOARD	"Typety, typety"
SCOUT or SCOUTING	"Do Your Best!"

VAUGHN had just attended School Night for SCOUTING in his home town of NOME, ALASKA. He wanted to SEND E-MAIL to his computer pal JEFF, in ORLANDO, FLORIDA to tell him that he joined SCOUTS. He knew that JEFF had been in SCOUTING for a while and wanted to find out what he was getting into.

So, VAUGHN sat down at the computer KEYBOARD and reached for his MOUSE. He typed in the message, hit SEND with the MOUSE and eagerly awaited JEFF'S reply.

While doing homework at the KEYBOARD, JEFF received VAUGHN'S E-MAIL. He was really excited to get VAUGHN'S news. JEFF immediately sent E-MAIL back to VAUGHN in NOME, ALASKA with all the fun SCOUTING stuff they do in ORLANDO, FLORIDA. He talked about such things as the Pinewood Derby, Day Camp, the Blue & Gold, the Raingutter Regatta, Orama, plus all of the great hikes, field trips and more! When JEFF finished listing all the things they do in SCOUTS, he hit the SEND key on his KEYBOARD. After VAUGHN finished reading JEFF'S E-MAIL, he began to think he had made a smart decision by joining SCOUTS.

A couple of weeks later, after VAUGHN had attended his first Pack meeting, where he received his Bobcat badge, he decided to SEND JEFF an E-MAIL to tell him the good news. So he sat down at the KEYBOARD and reached for his MOUSE to SEND the message.

JEFF drew a card with his MOUSE to congratulate VAUGHN for earning his first SCOUTING badge.

After each of their meetings, JEFF from ORLANDO, FLORIDA and VAUGHN from NOME, ALASKA would SEND E-MAIL to each other telling everything they had done in their meetings. They both agreed SCOUTING is a lot of fun. They also became life-long buddies and pen pals!