

Beaver Meeting Schedule: Week Two

Theme: Mother's Day

Date: _____

<i>Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Program Details</i>	<i>Leader Responsible</i>
10 mins.	Gathering Activity	Mother's Day Card (See Detail Planning Sheet)	
5 mins.	Opening Ceremony	<i>Details can be found in the Beaver Leader's Handbook</i>	
10 mins.	Game	"My Mommy Says..." (See Detail Planning Sheet)	
20 mins.	Theme Activity	Mother's Day Tulips (See Detail Planning Sheet)	
10 mins.	Story	Just Grandma and Me	
10 mins.	Lodge Meeting	Talk about what Beavers do with their Moms and Grandmas (or other female adult family members) on Mother's Day.	
5 mins.	Spiritual Fellowship	- Recite Law / Promise - Prayer / Talk	
5 mins.	Closing Ceremony	<i>Details can be found in the Beaver Leader's Handbook</i>	
15 mins.	Leader Discussion Time	Review Meeting and discuss next week's plans	

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Beaver Meeting - Detail Planning

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Ideas for Mother's Day

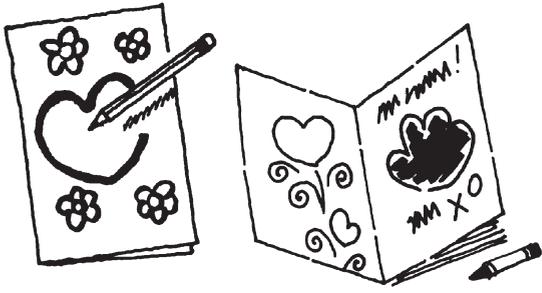
In today's extended families, other female figures are often important to Beavers (e.g. aunts, grandmothers or neighbours). Leaders should support the child's choice of this female figure.

Talks can centre around the involvement and role this person plays in the Beaver's daily life. As a leader, your most important function is to provide guidance. Let the Beavers know you care about their feelings and are willing to listen closely to them.

Other Mother's Day

The last Sunday in May is Mother's Day in Sweden and France. In South Africa it is held on the first Sunday in May. Native Peoples, as part of a spring powwow, have a special ceremonial dance in honour of Mother's Day.

Crafts



Mother's Day Cards

Have various colours of construction paper sheets on hand so your Beavers can choose from an interesting variety. Fold the paper in half.

On the inside, make up a lovely saying to the female of their choice. You will have to write this for younger children, but let them sign their own names. Older children can do this themselves.

Here is an example of the wording you might choose: *"To my favourite _____ in all the world." Love, _____ (the child's name)*

As an alternative, on the inside of the card some Beavers might want to trace their hand, then colour it.

Mother's Day Tulips

This pot of everlasting tulips is a nice gift for Mom or Grandma on Mother's Day. Your Beavers can make it easily with a few simple materials: cardboard tubes from toilet rolls, egg carton cups of different colours, green and yellow pipe cleaners, coloured tissue paper, sharp pencils, scissors and glue.

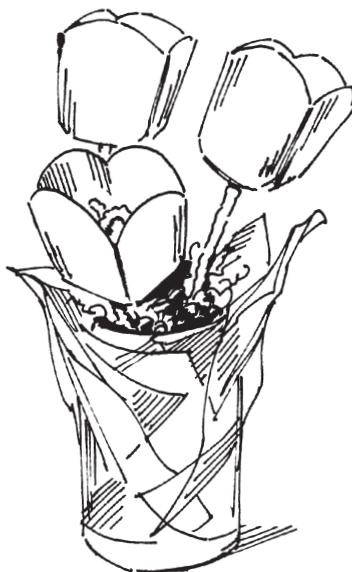
It saves time if leaders or Keeto and the White Tails separate the egg cups from the cartons beforehand and pre-cut tissue paper squares to the right size.

To make the tulip pot, the Beavers simply choose the colour of tissue they like and glue it around a toilet paper tube. As the glue dries, they should begin making three or four tulips by cutting around the edges of the egg cups to make petal shapes.

To finish off, they punch a hole through the bottom of each egg cup with a sharp pencil, push in a pipe cleaner stem, and bend over the pipe cleaner in the cup to make a "knot" to hold it in place.

Finally, let them arrange their tulips in the pot. If you have some paper grass left over from Easter crafts, your Beavers can stuff some of that around the tulips to keep the arrangement in place before taking home their gift to deliver with a big kiss.

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Games

My Mommy Says

This game is a variation of the old favourite, “Simon Says”.

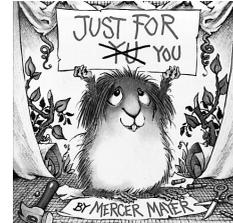
One person leads the action and the others follow only when the leader starts the action with the words, “My Mommy Says.” Let Beavers take turns being leaders. Those who make mistakes should remain in the game — this isn’t a contest. It’s for FUN.



Suggested Stories



Just Grandma and Me,
by Mercer Mayer



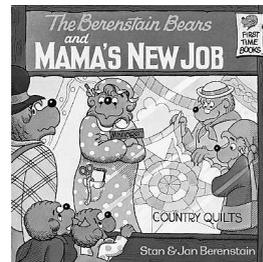
Just For You,
by Mercer Mayer



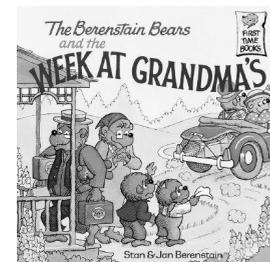
*The Not-So-Wicked
Stepmother,*
by Lizi Boyd



I Love My Mother
by Paul Zindel



*The Berenstain Bears
and Mama's New Job*
by Stan and Jan
Berenstain



*The Berenstain Bears
and The Week
at Grandma's*
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