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Animation Merit Badge

SCOUTS PARTICIPATING IN A SCOUTMASTER BUCKY MERIT BADGE OPPORTUNITY (ONLINE OR IN PERSON), PLEASE CONSIDER ALSO USING THE ANIMATION MERIT BADGE CLASS PREPARATION PAGE FOR CLARIFICATIONS, INSIGHTS, AND EXPECTATIONS.

<https://scoutmasterbucky.com/merit-badges/animation/class-prep/>

ANIMATION MERIT BADGE WORKBOOK

REQUIREMENT 1a In your own words, describe to your counselor what animation is.

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REQUIREMENT 1b: Discuss with your counselor a brief history of animation.

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REQUIREMENT 2:

Principles of animation. Choose five of the following 12 principles of animation, and discuss how each one makes an animation appear more believable: squash and stretch, anticipation, staging, straight-ahead action and pose to pose, follow through and overlapping action, slow in and slow out, arcs, secondary action, timing, exaggeration, solid drawing, appeal.

Squash and Stretch: ([see an example](#))

Anticipation: ([see an example](#))

Staging: ([see an example](#))

Straight-Ahead Action and Pose to Pose: ([see an example](#))

Follow Through and Overlapping Action: ([see an example](#))

Slow In and Slow Out: ([see an example](#))



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Arcs: ([see an example](#))

Secondary Action: ([see an example](#))

Timing: ([see an example](#))

Exaggeration: ([see an example](#))

Solid Drawing: ([see an example](#))

Appeal: ([see an example](#))



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WITH YOUR COUNSELOR’S APPROVAL, CHOOSE TWO ANIMATION TECHNIQUES AND DO THE FOLLOWING FOR EACH:

REQUIREMENT 3: With your counselor’s approval, choose two animation techniques and do the following for each:

COUNSELOR APPROVAL: PERHAPS IMPLIED, THIS REQUIREMENT DOES NOT STATE THAT YOU NEED THE COUNSELOR’S APPROVAL AHEAD OF TIME TO RESEARCH AND PREPARE. PLEASE NOTE, AS WITH ANY REQUIREMENT, ACCEPTANCE IS AT THE DISCRETION AND SATISFACTION OF THE MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR.

Animation Technique #1:

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Counselor’s Name

Phone

Counselor’s Signature

Date

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approved

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ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #1

ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #1 Plan your animations using thumbnail sketches and/or layout drawings.
REQUIREMENT 3a:



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**ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #1
REQUIREMENT 3b:** Create the animations.

You will need to create your animations separately from this workbook.

**ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #1
REQUIREMENT 3c:** Share your animations with your counselor. Explain how you created each one.

Be sure to have your animations with you to share with your counselor.

**ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #1
REQUIREMENT 3c:** Discuss any improvements that could be made.

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ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #2

ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #2 Plan your animations using thumbnail sketches and/or layout drawings.
REQUIREMENT 3a:



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ANIMATION TECHNIQUE #2 Create the animations.
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REQUIREMENT 3c:

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REQUIREMENT 3c:

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REQUIREMENT 4a: Tour an animation studio or a business where animation is used, either in person, via video, or via the internet. Share what you have learned with your counselor.

This requirement component will be done as a part of the class.

REQUIREMENT 4b: Discuss with your counselor how animation might be used in the future to make your life more enjoyable and productive.

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REQUIREMENT 5: Learn about three career opportunities in animation.

Career Opportunity #1:

Career Opportunity #2:

Career Opportunity #3:

REQUIREMENT 5: Pick one and find out about the education, training, and experience required for this profession. Discuss your findings with your counselor.

Selected Career Opportunity:

Educational Requirements:

Training Requirements:

Experience Requirements:

REQUIREMENT 5: Explain why this profession might interest you.

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