

FRONTIERSMAN - LEADER KEY

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WITH EVALUATION HINTS

**Gold boxes contain leader hints for evaluating each requirement*

STEP 1 | DISCOVER

INITIALS

- a) Explain the hazards of frontiersman-style bushcraft (fire, edged tools, cold/heat, dehydration, wildlife, and foodborne illness) and describe prevention and first aid responses. _____

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Look for practical prevention steps, not bravado.

- b) Explain frontiersman ethics: responsible resource use, respect for life, and lawful conduct; describe how overharvest and waste harm people and ecosystems. _____

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Ensure the tone is respectful and conservation-minded.

STEP 2 | PLAN

INITIALS

- a) Assemble a compact 'frontiersman field kit' and explain how each item supports shelter, fire, water, food, navigation, and first aid. _____

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Verify the kit is practical and explanations show understanding.

- a.1) Include at least one item for each category: shelter, fire, water, navigation, first aid _____

- a.2) Explain one 'improvised substitute' for two items _____

- b) Plan a primitive skills session at an approved site, including safety roles, fire plan, water plan, and leave-no-trace cleanup. _____

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Plan should be realistic and safety-first.

b.1) Identify adult supervisor and safety boundaries _____

b.2) List the skills you will practice (fire, water, shelter, cordage, etc.) _____

b.3) Describe fuel gathering limits and fire control steps _____

b.4) Describe site restoration and waste handling _____

- c) Explain lawful and humane trapping principles for your area, including what is permitted, what is not, and why humane standards matter. _____

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Accuracy and humility matter—no improvising laws.

STEP 3 | ACT

INITIALS

- a) Build and demonstrate two friction-based fire-starting methods (e.g., bow drill, hand drill) under supervision, using safe fire practices. _____

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Fire safety and method discipline are non-negotiable.

a.1) Prepare a safe fire lay and fire-control plan (water/soil tool ready) _____

a.2) Demonstrate correct body position and technique for each method _____

a.3) Produce sustained ember and transfer to tinder (or explain failure points if conditions prevent ignition) _____

a.4) Extinguish and cold-out the site correctly _____

- b) Demonstrate three ways to make water safer in the field and explain when each method is appropriate and its limitations. _____

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Ensure the Saint understands limitations—filters alone are not always sufficient.

- b.1) Demonstrate boiling (or explain proper boil approach if fire conditions restrict) _____
- b.2) Demonstrate filtration (commercial or improvised pre-filter) and explain its limits _____
- b.3) Demonstrate chemical treatment or UV method (if available) and explain correct use _____

- c) Construct a practical shelter from natural materials or tarp/blanket in a way that minimizes environmental impact, and demonstrate weather-readiness. _____

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Safety and low impact matter more than aesthetics.

- c.1) Select a site with safety in mind (drainage, wind, widowmakers) _____
- c.2) Build a shelter appropriate to conditions (windbreak, rain shed, insulation) _____
- c.3) Demonstrate a ground insulation plan _____
- c.4) Restore the site afterward or leave no trace of the structure when appropriate _____

- d) Demonstrate frontiersman cordage and fieldcraft by completing a small practical build or repair using lashings and knots. _____

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Verify the build is useful and knots are correctly tied and dressed.

- d.1) Demonstrate at least three knots useful in bushcraft (e.g., clove hitch, taut-line hitch, square knot) _____
- d.2) Use a lashing or binding technique to build/repair something useful (pot hanger, tripod, simple pack frame repair, gear hanger) _____
- d.3) Explain why your knots and materials were chosen _____
- d.4) Test the build safely for strength and stability _____

- e) Demonstrate age-appropriate trapping skill through one of the following: a simulated trap set for learning (non-functional), a legal live demonstration by a licensed adult, or a tracking/sign-reading exercise that explains animal travel and behavior without capture. _____

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This must remain humane, legal, and age-appropriate—simulation is acceptable and preferred.

- e.1) Explain the purpose of the set (education, not harm) and the legal boundaries _____
- e.2) Demonstrate two trap-set concepts safely (e.g., location selection, guiding, concealment) using simulation materials _____
- e.3) Identify at least three signs of animal movement (tracks, scat, rubs, trails) and what they suggest _____
- e.4) Explain humane considerations and why suffering is unacceptable _____

- f) Demonstrate basic field-to-table responsibility by completing a supervised food-preparation and preservation task: field-dressing education (demonstration with a mentor or instructional model), preparing meat safely, and explaining a smoking/drying preservation concept. _____

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Prioritize food safety and legality; use store-bought meat if needed.

- f.1) Explain cleanliness, temperature, and cross-contamination controls _____
- f.2) Prepare a simple meat-based meal safely using legally obtained meat (or mentor-supervised harvest where lawful) _____
- f.3) Explain the steps and purpose of smoking or drying (preservation, flavor, moisture control) at a high level _____
- f.4) Describe how you would store and protect food from animals in the field _____

STEP 4 | REFLECT

INITIALS

- a) Explain what skill required the most patience and what you learned about resilience and decision-making under discomfort. _____

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Look for self-control and realistic lessons learned.

- b) Describe how frontiersman skills can be used for service and preparedness today, and identify one future skill you want to improve next. _____

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Ensure the application is practical and service-oriented.

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END OF REQUIREMENTS

BY SIGNING BELOW, I CERTIFY TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THAT ALL
REQUIREMENTS WERE MET AT OR ABOVE THE REQUIRED STANDARDS AS OUTLINED
IN THE BADGE REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST.

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