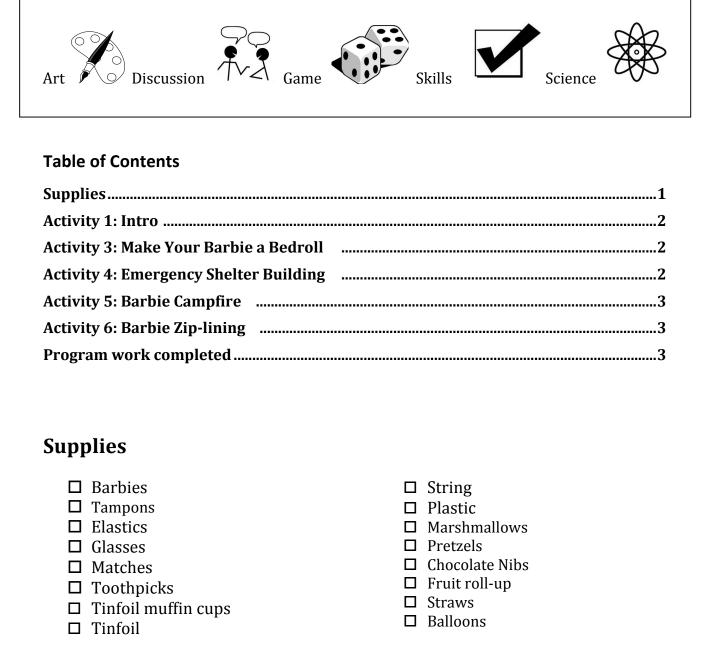
Meeting-in-a-Box: Barbie Goes to Pathfinder Camp

This meeting is aimed at **Pathfinders** and covers lots of camping theory. There are enough elements for about an hour and a half worth of activities, but you can pick and choose or run more than one meeting with this theme.





Activity 1: Intro (5 minutes)

Split girls into teams of 4 or so Pathfinders and give each team a Barbie. Explain to them that their Barbies are going to be going to camp and that they will need to help them complete some challenges.

Each team can come up with a name for their Barbie

Activity 2: Dress Your Camper (10 minutes)

Each team is given 10 minutes to dress their Barbie using tape, a plastic tablecloth and scissors. If you want to get more creative, they can use sharpies or other materials. Her hair should also be tied back with an elastic – It is camp after all!

Activity 3: Make Your Barbie a Bedroll (20 minutes)







Ask the girls to make their Barbie a bedroll. They can unwrap an O. B Tampon to use as a mattress/sleeping bag and a 4"x4" piece of plastic for the tarp. Once done, dunk the bedrolls into a glass of water to see if they are watertight.

The use of tampons can open up lots of discussions and let girls who have never see one know what they look like.

Activity 4: Emergency Shelter Building (20 minutes)





Take the girls outside with their Barbies to make emergency shelters using a piece of tinfoil as Barbie's emergency blanket, a 1'X1' piece of plastic and some string.



Activity 5: Barbie Campfire







Give each team 2 tiny tinfoil muffin cups (1 inch in diameter), some toothpicks, a match and a mini marshmallow. Explain to them that their challenge is to make a Barbie sized campfire in one of the cups using the toothpicks for fuel. The other cup is for their fire bucket of water. Everyone must then try to roast a mini marshmallow on a toothpick in order to finish this challenge.

If you can't go outside, try making a safer (and edible) version using pretzels for wood, small piece of fruit roll-up to make fire, and some small chocolate nibs for rocks.





Activity 6: Barbie Zip-lining

(10 minutes)

Have each team tape a straw to the length of Barbie's back and then feed the straw through a long piece of string. Give each team a balloon to blow up while holding the end closed and have them tape it to their Barbie's back. While two girls hold the string taunt, another team member can release the balloon and watch Barbie zip-line down the string!

Program work completed

Activity	Pathfinder Program Work Completed
Introduction	
Dress	Fashion Sense from Head to Toe #1, 2
Bedroll	Out on the Trails #7
Shelter	Survivor Girls: Prepare for the Outdoors #10
Campfire	Let's Take it Outside #5
	Knots, Knives, & Outdoor Lore #2
Zip-line	

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