

## JUNE 30 HALF WAY THROUGH THE YEAR

# HALF WAY DAY!

The idea of this programming is to only do half of everything! It is purposely meant to be silly and for the Joey Scouts to complete their work at home if they like.

You can turn the program into a Dress Up Day, wear half sensible and half silly things.

Ensure the Joey Scouts understand the theme so that no-one gets upset at being told to stop right in the middle of things! Laugh a lot!

### PARADES

Stop halfway through Parades, or start the Parade at the halfway mark and finish it. Do not put the flag at half-mast though.... Just use half the pole!

With the Promise and Law, half the Joey Scouts say the first half, the others complete it.

### GAMES

Play half the games, either from the start or at halfway through e.g.

Tunnel ball with the ball halfway down the tunnel

Rob the Nest, with half the balls already in the corner nests.

Hop instead of running or walking (you are using half your legs, of course!)

### CRAFTS

1. Do blot paintings- fold the paper in half, dot paint on one half and fold it over, press, then open it up to see the mirror image.

2. Do half a collage or craft- send the incomplete work home with a bag of items to complete later.

### ACTIVITIES

1. Kangamonster: see template over the page.

Prepare the paper for the Joey Scouts by folding it into thirds at the markers.

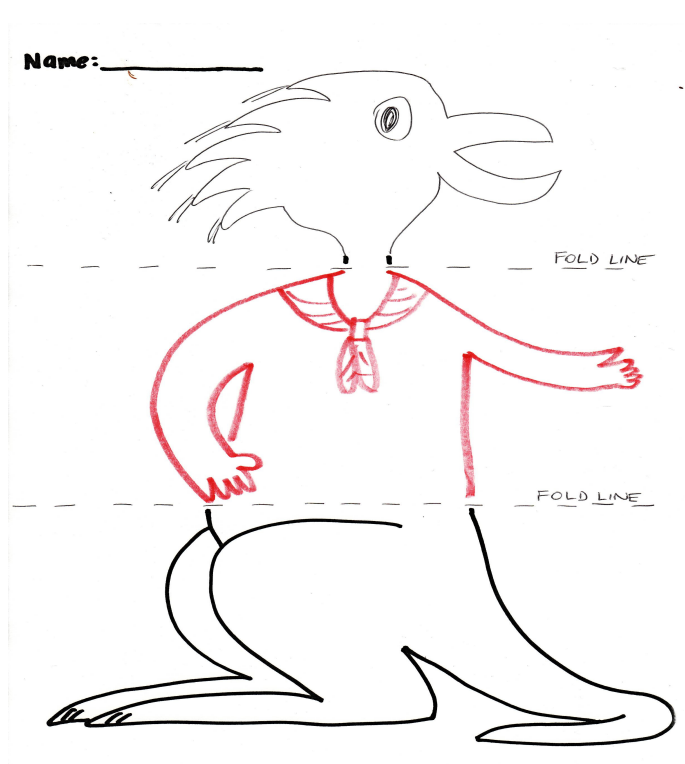
Write your name at the top so your picture comes back to you.

Top third- draw a head with a neck that comes to the markers on the fold line.

Pass the paper to another Joey Scout. Open to reveal the middle third only.

Draw a body with upper arms or wings, again finish the body between the markers.

Open it up to reveal the strange new breed with kangaroo legs and funny uppers.



2. Ice some Milk Arrowroot biscuits- only halfway though. Dip in 100's and 1000's and serve for a funny afternoon tea with half cups of water or cordial.

3. Try saying a sentence using half the words- every second word! If you can do this, and another person understands what you are saying, get that person to say every other second word to make the full sentence! Tricky but fun.

4. Joey Scouts Help Other People Hop Hop Hop

Formation: circle

Method: around the circle, everyone says one word of this sentence. The next person after the final Hop bobs down. Next person starts the sentence again. See if the Joey Scouts can predict who will be the last person standing!

## SONGS

Keep the atmosphere light and have a lot of fun with these!

*Head Shoulders Knees and Toes*- do the actions for Heads and Shoulders, Eyes and Ears but stand still and do nothing for the Knees and Toes, Mouth and Nose beats.

Or, only sing each alternate part i.e. head – knees – eyes – mouth.

Or, half the Joey Scouts sing half the parts- see if they can keep the beat and sing the correct part!

Divide the Mob in half. Pick a song that everyone knows. Half the Mob sing the first line, then the others sing the second line and so on without missing a beat.

## STORY

1. Tell a progressive story where no-one gets to finish what they are saying. The Leader signals to stop talking and pass to the next person to complete the sentence. As Joey Scouts tend to gravitate to toilet humour, Leaders should keep the topics ontrack and funny.

2. Make up cards with pictures cut from magazines. Give one or two out to each Joey Scout. Leader starts telling a story and stops for a prompt from a Joey who holds up a card to suggest a suitable word to fill in the gap. Blotak the cards to a wall as you go as a record of your story line.

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