

Scenarios

Tread Lightly! Principle Scenarios

Objectives:

- Apply the Tread Lightly! principles to a specific, realistic situation.
- Develop message delivery skills.

Duration:

20 minutes

Materials Needed:

Instructions for the group, copies of the scenario, or create your own scenarios

In Brief:

Groups will discuss the various opportunities that arise where the Tread Lightly! outdoor ethic can be implemented and will share their outcomes with the entire class.

Activity: Tread Lightly! Principle Scenarios

Step 1:

Split the class into five or six groups (this will vary according to class size).

Step 2:

Assign each group a scenario and provide them with the following instructions:

Instructions:

1. Discuss the scenario and decide if there is a Tread Lightly! issue presented.
2. If there is, which TREAD principle(s) would apply and why is that principle important in this situation?
3. Discuss how you might present the principle to the other people in the scenario.
4. Be prepared to share your outcomes with the whole group.

Step 3:

Ask a spokesperson from each group to present the group's outcomes. Discuss scenario outcomes with the class.

Land Scenarios

Scenario 1

You and a couple of friends are riding your ATVs on a trail designated as acceptable for motorized use. You come upon a side trail that has a newly posted sign closing that trail to motorized use. You know the trail leads to a stunning view your friends haven't seen. They want to go and see that view.

Scenario 2

You are riding with a few members of your trail-bike club on a multi-use trail. Ahead you see a group approaching on horseback.

Scenario 3

You and your group of snowmobilers are just finishing your trailside lunch. There is trash left on the snow – a potato chip bag, a couple of juice cans, a banana peel, and an apple core.

Scenario 4

Your ATV club wants to have a group ride. Although nobody else in your group knows the area, a member has suggested that you go to Jasper Valley because a friend of his used to ride there and it is nearby.

Scenario 5

You and a few friends are gathering at a multi-use trailhead with your trail bikes preparing for a ride. A couple of hikers are also starting out and are upset that you are there. They are making disparaging remarks about "motor heads" messing up their experience.

Water Scenarios

Scenario 1

You and several of your friends are riding your PWC on a lake with a number of cabins along the shore. Your friends are having a blast, running circles around each other at full speed.

Scenario 2

You are refueling your watercraft at a local marina. You notice the telltale signs of gas in the water near the fuel station.

Scenario 3

You and your friends are getting ready to launch your PWCs at a boat launch. The group in front of you is launching their fishing boat. They are making disparaging remarks about "crazy kids on jet skis" messing up their fishing.

Scenario 4

You and your friends are cruising in your powerboat. Ahead you see several kayaks in your path.

Scenario 5

You and a group of friends have taken your boat out and found a nice sandy beach to act as a base camp for your day's outing. When you are leaving you notice a potato chip bag, water bottle, and orange peels in the fire pit.

Scenario 6

You are hanging out on a beach with a group of friends. Several friends are out riding PWC on the lake. They are riding close to the shore at high speeds.