



Naseby Project Badge

Cubs Activity 3

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The New Model Army was important because it changed how armies were organised and fought, and it influenced military practices for many years. Here are the key principles of the New Model Army:

- **Formation:** Created in 1645 by the Parliamentarians (also called the Roundheads) to fight against King Charles I and his Royalist forces.
- **Leadership:** Led by Sir Thomas Fairfax and Oliver Cromwell, who were important leaders for the Parliamentarians.
- **Structure:** It was a professional army where soldiers were paid regularly and promoted based on their skills, not their social status.
- **Discipline:** Known for its strict rules and good training, which made it very effective in battle.
- **Impact:** Helped the Parliamentarians win, leading to the execution of King Charles I and the start of the Commonwealth under Cromwell.

Activity Instructions

Using these principles, the Cubs need to organise an activity like backwoods cooking or survival skills and create a set of Activity Rules based on the New Model Army principles. Then, they will complete the activities following the rules.

Here are some ideas for the Cubs:

- **Formation:** Have the Cubs set clear roles and responsibilities in their group, like leaders, planners, and task-specific roles.
- **Leadership:** Stress the importance of leadership and teamwork. Leaders should guide the group but also listen to everyone's ideas and concerns.
- **Structure:** Make sure the activity rules are fair and reward those who show initiative, teamwork, and problem-solving skills.
- **Discipline:** Emphasise the importance of following the rules, maintaining the camp, completing tasks on time, and supporting each other.
- **Impact:** After the camp, discuss how the principles of the New Model Army influenced their experience. What worked well? What could be improved? How did the structure and discipline help them achieve their goals?