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Activity name: Explorer Vision Song Contest

Short description:

International themed evening(s) enabling explorers to learn more about the culture and scouting of other countries as well as encouraging creative and improvised performance.

Mostly information:

Maps - from the internet

Equipment:

Scouting info - international factsheets from scoutbase

Audio equipment such as PA, data projectors etc are all optional but could add to the effect.

Resources:

Duration:

From 180 minutes to 180 minutes

Numbers:



Location:



Instructions:

- Split the unit or units into small groups of 3-5.
 - Assign a european (or world) country to each group.
 - give each group an information pack.
 - Brief each group that they have a given number of hours/days to put together an entry for the "Explorer Vision Song Contest".
 - Their entry must include:
 - An introduction in the language of the country "Hello and welcome to XXX" e.g. "Bonjour et Bienvenue a France"
 - A short musical performance from that country (This could range from singing and playing home-made instruments to miming to a backing tape in costume).
 - Two Scouting facts about that country.
 - Optionally a sample of food from that country (if over mutiple evenings).
 - Once all the groups have completed their performance go round each group and ask them to assign points to their top 6 favourite acts in the order 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 0.
 - Total up the scores and announce the winners.
- Ideally this would be done over a number of weeks or maybe over a camp.

The information packs could contain samples of music from the country involved as well as maps, scoutbase factsheets etc.

Additional Information:

You may want to avoid allocating 0 points but then you don't get the "Null Points" Gimmick.

Getting your DC to attend dressed up as Terry Wogan might be worth a try!

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Programme zone(s) :

International
Relationships

Method(s):

Team building and networking activities
Themes and projects

