

CATEGORY G

SUBJECT:

INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP

OBJECTIVE(S)

To have the candidate establish contact with other young people, preferably members of St. John, in other countries (not a relative).

PREREQUISITES

None.

INSTRUCTORS/EVALUATORS

An adult who is familiar with the other country and who has not been involved in the arrangements of this proficiency subject.

REFERENCES AND MATERIALS

Candidates who wish to correspond with a person in another country may:

1. Submit, through their officers, the request, giving as many details as possible for a St. John pen friend.
2. Write to: Volunteer Support
Pen-Pals
St. John Ambulance, National Headquarters
312 Laurier Avenue East
Ottawa, ON K1N 6P6
Fax: (613) 236-2425

Be sure to include a short statement listing age, interest, hobbies and the full address. Also, please indicate the country of interest (with an alternative in case the first choice cannot be complied with) and the language to correspond in.

3. Visit the St. John Ambulance Web Site (<http://www.sja.ca>) under *Join in*, Pen Pals
(www.sja.ca/sjaenglish/maineng/pal.html) (English)
(www.sja.ca/sjafrench/mainfrn/chum.html) (French)

Review the list of persons seeking pen-pals or submit your own request.

CONTENT

1. Have a regular pen friend in the country of their choice for a period of at least six months, and have corresponded at least six times. If the pen friend is a member of St. John, the correspondence should include a description of St. John activities in that country.

Note: Instructor/Evaluator should see the letters which have been written and should ask the candidate about his or her pen friend and their correspondence (refrain from any personal questions).

2. Know, in broad outline, the history, geography, economy and politics of this country and inhabitants.
3. Prepare a scrap book or album showing photographs, cut-outs, newspaper clippings, publicity, postage stamps, badges, pins, etc. something of the Canadian environment, its people and their cultures to send to the pen friend.
4. Prepare a scrap book or album about the country where the pen friend lives, including things the candidate has received from the pen friend and information gathered by the candidate.

DURATION

Minimum of six months.

CERTIFICATION

To qualify, candidates must show a satisfactory standard of interest and attainment, having regard to their age, in all parts of the contents.

CATEGORY G - COMMUNICATIONS

CERTIFICATION OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF PROFICIENCY SUBJECT
INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP

Instructors/Evaluators should carefully consider the age, ability and accessibility to resource materials of each candidate.

The candidate has completed the above content and meets the requirements to the satisfaction of the Instructor/Evaluator.

Name of Instructor/Evaluator: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____ Tel #: _____

Instructor qualifications: _____

I certify that

_____ of _____
(candidate's name) (Division #)

meets the criteria of this proficiency subject, as laid out on the previous page(s).

Instructor/Evaluator (signature) Date

Divisional Superintendent (signature) Date