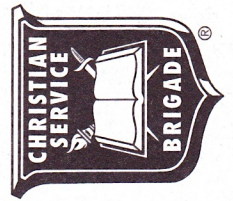




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Congratulations!

You've been chosen by a member of Battalion to serve as his mentor. As a mentor, you'll encourage him in his achievement progress. Here are some helpful hints in fulfilling this exciting task:

Commit to helping that young man grow spiritually.

Provide a Christlike example for him. Seek to positively impact his life and be aware he is watching you. Recognize that developing this relationship is as valuable as the achievement material he is working on. This will take time, require sensitivity and demand attention on your part.

Plan to work with the young man until he completes an entire achievement unit

—it should take between two and six months. It'll be necessary to meet with him at least seven or eight times for at least 10-20 minutes each, in order to oversee his achievement progress. Make every effort to augment these times with additional informal times and phone calls as you are able.

Look over the achievement manual Adventure Trails.

You'll be working with him to complete one of the six separate adventures—You and Your Faith, You and God's Word, You and Prayer, You Serving Others, You Building Others, or You Telling Others.

Within each adventure, there are seven or eight Action Steps. Each Action Step has three different sections: ReAct (the reason), ProAct (the responsibility) and InterAct (the review).

Set a time when you can meet with him to get started. If necessary, meet during the Battalion squad meetings.

Discuss the material in each InterAct section with him—only one per meeting, beginning with Action Step #1. You don't need to follow the exact order. He may ask you questions. Don't feel you must be an expert on the subject. Allow him to talk. Listen to him. Help him to feel at ease.

Encourage the young man whenever possible.

Because he chose you to be his mentor, you have a great opportunity to share with him even when he hasn't completed an Action Step. Find out what you can do to help him complete the next step.

Become a learner yourself. In each unit, there are Bible memory verses. Try to quote them to him

before he says them to you. Allow him to make as many mistakes as you do. By all means, do the Bible studies ahead on your own so you are familiar with them.

Allow him to do the work—you determine if he has done an acceptable job. Ask yourself, "Has the assignment been completed to his ability, even though it may not be perfect?" When you've seen his work and determined that the Action Step is complete, sign his book. Look over the next Action Step and determine when you'll meet next. Pray together.

Figure out if you need to provide some external incentives to help him finish the unit. These

young men are busy and will get distracted. Keep a positive attitude, even when he may appear to be losing interest. Your positive attitude and occasional "push" may be the best encouragement to him. If you need some assistance or ideas on how to motivate him, contact the Battalion leaders.

Report back to the Battalion leadership when the unit has been completed. Make

sure you keep adequate records and turn them in. Realize that another man may be serving as a mentor for him in his next achievement adventure. Keep praying for him.

It's you and him—him and you—building up each other in Christ.

God will bless you in this endeavor as you commit it entirely to the Lord.

