

Leader's guide to badge requirements met at discover 2026

For discover, we didn't only want to help create day of fun, adventure, and excitement at Cirencester Park, we also want young people to be able progress towards achieving the badges and awards they love getting.

We know as a Squirrel, Beaver or Rainbow leadership team, there's plenty to be getting on with, without having to compare activities with badge requirements. So, we've done it for you! We're sure there are more examples as you'll know your badge and awards better than us.

This guide aims to show you which badge or award requirements your young people may have completed if they have taken part in activities at discover 2026. We hope you find it useful, and of course as always, your judgement should be used on whether the correct level of challenge for the requirements has been met. In the table below you'll see the name of the award / badge and which requirement (number) the activity could meet.

Activity at discover (and the zone it was in)	Brief synopsis (as a reminder)	Rainbow badge or award requirements this meets	Squirrel badge or award requirements this meets	Beaver badge or award requirements this meets
Badge making (Earth)	Young people created and coloured a unique badge	Drawing interest badge	Get creative (1)	My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3), (4)
Beach relay (Sun)	In teams young people raced to put on beach related items in a relay	Sport Adventure badge	All together challenge award (1) (2)	My Adventure Challenge Award (2) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2)
Boat racing (blowing) (Water)	Young people used their breath to race a boat			
Build the tallest tower (Earth)	As a team, young people worked together to build the tallest tower	Network stage 1 Skills builder badge	All together challenge award (1) (2) Be active (2) (3)	My Adventure Challenge Award (2) My Skills Challenge Award (7) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2)
Campfire songs (Sun)	Young people learned and took part in campfire songs		All about adventure challenge award (4)	My Skills Challenge Award (4))
Cavepod (Earth)	Young people got to experience a caving adventure, putting on PPE and finding their way through the caving complex	Sport Adventure badge Courage Interest Badge	All about adventure challenge award (3)	My Adventure Challenge Award (1) (2)

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Colour spreading art (Water)	Young people created unique art using felt tip pens and just a few drops of water.	Drawing interest badge Innovate stage 1 Skills builder badge	Exciting experiments (2) Get creative (1)	My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3) Experiment (1)
Dam building (Water)	Young people have to work together to dam a water flow using a variety of materials	Innovate stage 1 Skills builder badge Network stage 1 Skills builder badge	All together challenge award (1) (2) Brilliant Builder (1)	My Adventure Challenge Award (4) My Skills Challenge Award (7) Creative activity (3)
Farm (Earth)	Young people learned about a range of farm animals and how to care for them	Animal lover interest badge	Go wild activity badge (1), (3)	Animal friend activity badge (1)
Freeze & Shadow! (Sun)	Young people to run around until they hear the music stop, then to find a partner and make a shape with their bodies that makes a shadow.	Network stage 1 Skills builder badge Think differently stage 2 Skills builder	All together challenge award (1) (2)	My Adventure Challenge Award (2) Creative activity (4)
Glider (Air)	Young people met a glider pilot, listen to a talk about how the glider works (and possibly get to sit in seat)		Air activities badge (Stage 1) (4) Air activities badge (Stage 1) (2), (3), (5c) (if applicable)	Air activities badge (Stage 1) (4) Air activities badge (Stage 1) (2), (3), (5c) (if applicable)
Hole in the bucket (Water)	Young people worked in teams to race to transport water using a bucket with many holes from one barrel to another	Network stage 1 Skills builder badge	All together challenge award (1)	My Skills Challenge Award (7) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2)
Mirror & reflection challenge (Sun)	Young people worked together to bounce a light around obstacles using mirrors to hit a target	Innovate stage 1 Skills builder badge Network stage 1 Skills builder badge	All together challenge award (1) Be active (2) (3)	My Skills Challenge Award (7) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2) Experiment (1)
Move the heavy thing (Earth)	Young people attempted to move heavy / large items across the ground using problem solving skills and rollers	Innovate stage 1 Skills builder badge Network stage 1 Skills builder badge	All together challenge award (1) Be active (2) (3) Brilliant Builder (1)	My Skills Challenge Award (7) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2) Experiment (1)

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Otter talk & Duck rescue (Water)	Young people discovered the risks of litter in canals and rivers. They played a game to simulate removing litter / rubbish from a river / canal			My Skills Challenge Award (7) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2) My world challenge award (6)
Paper Aeroplanes (Air)	Young people were shown how to make a paper plane	Drawing interest badge	Air activities badge (Stage 1) (1)	Air activities badge (Stage 1) (1)
Paper helicopter (Earth)	Young people made a paper helicopter that fell and spun to the ground		Air activities badge (Stage 1) (1)	My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3)
Parachute games (Air)	Young people played fun team games with others using parachutes	Sport Adventure badge	All together challenge award (1) Be Active Activity Badge (1), (2), (3)	My Adventure Challenge Award (2)
Playdough (Air)	Young people got creative with playdough.		Get creative (1)	My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3), (4)
Prisms (Sun)	Young people experimented with different Prisms and a light beam to create rainbows and colours	Innovate stage 1 Skills builder badge	Exciting experiments (2)	Experiment (1)
Reptiles & mini beasts (Sun)	Young people learned about a range of reptiles, mini beasts, and arachnids and how to care for them	Animal lover interest badge Courage Interest Badge	Go wild activity badge (1), (3)	Animal friend activity badge (1)
Severn Area Rescue Association (SARA) (Water)	Young people found out about the work that SARA do to help people, and had a go at some of the equipment, learning water safety and some First Aid skills	Community exploring Interest badge	All around us challenge award (1), (2) All together challenge award (1) Local Superhero (1)	My world challenge award (1) My Adventure Challenge Award (2) (3) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2)

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Shadow Match (Sun)	Young people working in teams, matched a shadow to a real item. This builds visual discrimination, attention and problem-solving skills	Network stage 1 Skills builder badge	All together challenge award (1) Be active (1)	My Adventure Challenge Award (2) Teamwork Challenge Award (1), (2)
Slime (Earth)	Young people got to play with Slime			Creative activity (4)
Stained glass sun (Sun)	Using tissue paper, young people got to make a sun that will shine light through		Get creative (1)	My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3), (4)
Streamers (Air)	Young people made an streamer from natural and man-made materials		Story time activity badge (1)	My Adventure Challenge Award (4) Creative activity (2), (3)
Thank you Rainbow (Sun)	Young people took part in a corporate reflection where they expressed their thanks by writing down what they are thankful for and making a tree	Interest badges: Drawing (1)	All about me challenge award (1) Feel Good (2)	My skills challenge award (part of 3) My world challenge award (4)
Volcanos (Earth)	Young people learned about chemical reactions and watched a volcano erupt	Innovate stage 1 Skills builder badge	Exciting experiments (2)	Experiment (1)
Water Cycle Bead bracelets (Water)	Young people learned about the water cycle and made bracelets that represented it.			My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3)
Watering can rainbow picture (Water)	Young people got creative and made watering can pictures using rainbow colours			My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3)
Windmills (Air)	Young people made a spinning windmill			My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3)
Wriggling worms (Water)	Young people made a worm that when water is added wriggled in the palm of their hand	Innovate stage 1 Skills builder badge	Exciting experiments (2)	My Skills Challenge Award (3) Creative activity (2), (3) Experiment (1)

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Youth Shaped Ideas wall (Air)	Young people helped make decisions about future events	My thoughts interest badge	YouShape award: Plan (1), (2) YouShape award: Central (1)	YouShape award: Plan (2)
Opening and closing ceremonies	Young people took part in large event with lots of other young people from all over the county and beyond		All around us challenge award (3)	Creative activity badge (1)
Before the event – Packing your own bags	Young people may have worked with their parents to pack their own bag for the day		All about adventure challenge award (1) Explore outdoors (1)	
Meeting new people from other groups	Did your young people work with / play with / talk with others from other Scouting or Guiding groups?		All around us challenge award (3)	
The whole event	Taking part in the day itself	Interest badges: Healthy mind (3) Great outdoors Interest badge	All about adventure challenge award (2), (3) All about me challenge award (4) - Go on a trip	Personal challenge award (1)
If they were given a “I’ve been kind and helpful” sticker	These young people have been observed being kind and / or doing something to help others. Ask them why they got it!		All around us challenge award (2) All about me challenge award (2)	Teamwork challenge award (6)
Trying something new (generally)	Did your young person try something new & challenging? If so...		All about me challenge award (4)	