Three Types of Leadership



The basic kind:

Thinking ahead and taking care of yourself. Being prepared for problems before they happen.



This is leadership by example.

When people see you are prepared and confident, you get their respect.

Scouts practice this type of leadership all the time—on campouts, at meetings, with friends.

This kind of leadership is easiest—people learn from each other all the time.

The advanced kind:

Thinking and planning for others. Getting groups of people to do things.



This kind of leadership involves **taking** responsibility for others.

This means tougher planning—looking further ahead, thinking about larger numbers of people.

This kind of leadership is stressful—you can burn out easily. Your limits will be tested.

Communicating is important here—communicating to a group is different from communicating with one person.

Scouts learn this type of leadership as patrol leaders, librarians, quartermasters, troop guides.

The ultimate kind

Investing other folks with responsibility. Being a leader of leaders.



This type of leadership involves **giving** responsibility to others.

You may have to live with problems that aren't your fault.

Someone will only do a complex job if they **want** to.

Giving others responsibility is the best (and only) way to increase the power of the group beyond the limits of one person.

Scouts learn this type of leadership as SPL, in the OA, working as camp staff, etc.

This type of leadership demands the most intelligence and patience.

