

# Module 14

## Young People Today

Relevant to:  
Section Leaders  
Assistant Leaders  
Section Supporters  
eg (ACC (section) or DESC)  
Section Assistants

### Description

Identifying and meeting the needs of young people in the Section

### This means:

- understanding your role in supporting young people as they develop through the Sections
- understanding the changes in young people as they get older and move between the Sections
- knowing the characteristics and needs of young people in the age range for your Section
- being aware of the social influences on young people in your Section.

### Questions

- Do you know the characteristics and needs of young people of the age range for your Section?
- How does the programme try to meet their needs?
- Do you know what influences society has on them?
- Can you describe the effects of peer group pressure?

### Delivery methods

- Course
- Small group.

### To validate this module you will need to complete one of the following:

- 1 Outline the changing characteristics and needs of young people in the age range with which you are working and of those who are older and younger. (OCN Unit I 1 .1)
- 2 Plan and run a game or activity to help your Section members identify their own needs.
- 3 Plan and lead an activity involving three characteristics, needs and/or influences you have listed and review the activity with young people in your Section.
- 4 Plan and run a game or activity to meet a specific need you have identified.
- 5 Collect and review information from outside The Scout Association on the needs of young people in your Section's age range.
- 6 Any other ideas, subject to agreement with a Training Adviser.

### And:

Produce evidence of how you are responding to the needs of the young people you are involved with in your role, (OCN Unit I 1 .3)

### Open College Network

This module forms part of the OCN unit *Young People Today*.