

TEAM RITUAL
Opening and Closing Ritual Scorecard

Manor: _____

Ritual Judge: _____

Required ritual parts: Master Squire, Senior Squire, Junior Squire, Squire Chaplain, and Squire Marshal. The parts of Squire Chaplain and Squire Marshal may be doubled. Any doubling of other parts will result loss of points.

(Prompt = 10 point penalty each) (Missed or added word =5 points each)

Opening Ritual

Master Squire: * (1 gavel rap)

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, who are the officers of the Round Table?

Senior Squire: The Master Squire, Senior Squire, Junior Squire, Squire Chaplain, Squire Marshal, Squire Treasurer, and Squire Recorder.

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, who is the chief officer of the Round Table and what emblem does he keep?

Senior Squire: The Master Squire is the chief officer, and he keeps the Gavel of Justice.

Master Squire: What does his emblem represent?

Senior Squire: It is a symbol of Justice and Leadership.

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, what emblem do you keep?

Senior Squire: I keep the Sword of Truth.

Master Squire: Brother Junior Squire, what emblem do you keep?

Junior Squire: I keep the Books of Wisdom.

Master Squire: Brother Junior Squire, what do our emblems mean?

Junior Squire: That true leadership depends on Wisdom, Truth, and Justice.

Missed words _____ Added words _____ Prompt _____

Master Squire: Squire Marshal, you will present the flag of our country and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
*** (3 gavel raps).

Squire Marshal: Brothers, you will pledge allegiance to the flag of our Country.

ALL: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Master Squire: Squire Chaplain, you will open the Bible, and lead us in our opening prayer. Brothers, you will stand with bowed heads.

Squire Chaplain: Our Heavenly Father, we ask Thy blessing on our meeting. Help us to grow in wisdom, know what is true, and be just and kind to one another. Amen.

All respond: Amen.

Master Squire: Brothers, what did you promise as a Squire?

ALL Squires: I promised to be a better son, and to love and serve God. I promised to learn, and to serve my fellow man. I promised to seek the truth. I promised to be just and kind to my brothers. To all these things and more I did promise.

Master Squire: I now declare this Manor open for Business.

Master Squire: * (1 gavel rap)

Missed words _____ Added words _____ Prompt _____

Closing Ritual

Master Squire: Brothers, is there anything further to come before this Round Table?

None appearing, we shall proceed to close.

Master Squire: ** (2 gavel raps)

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, what have you learned?

Senior Squire: My brothers, I have learned that Truth is Eternal.

Master Squire: Brother Junior Squire, what have you learned?

Junior Squire: My brothers, I have learned that Wisdom is Power.

Master Squire: And I, my brothers, have learned that Wisdom, Truth, and Justice are the jewels of Leadership.

Master Squire: Squire Chaplain, you will close the Bible, and lead us in our closing prayer.

*** (3 gavel raps)

Squire Chaplain: Our Heavenly Father, we thank you for the opportunity to be together. Help us to grow in Wisdom, to know that which is True, and to be Just in our decisions. Help us to honor you, and be faithful to our brothers. Amen.

ALL Squires: God bless Mother, God bless Father, God bless the purpose of the Squires. Amen.

Master Squire: This Manor is closed.

Master Squire: * (1 gavel rap)

Missed words _____ Added words _____ Prompt _____

Possible Points	1000
Words Missed	_____
Words Added	_____
Prompt Penalty	_____
Performance Bonus	_____ out of 115
Total	_____

TEAM RITUAL
Opening and Closing Performance Scorecard

Manor: _____

Ritual Judge: _____

Required ritual parts: Master Squire, Senior Squire, Junior Squire, Squire Chaplain and Squire Marshal. *The parts of Squire Chaplain and Squire Marshal may be doubled.* Any doubling of other parts will result loss of points. Each performance is worth up to 5 points.

Before opening their Manor, the officers line up at the entry to the Lodge. The emblems of the Master Squire, Senior Squire, and Junior Squire are at their respective stations.

Performance Points: _____

Squire Officers enter the room in the following order: Squire Marshal, Master Squire, Senior Squire, Junior Squire, Squire Chaplain, Squire Treasurer, Squire Recorder. They proceed to the Round Table. The Squire Marshal goes to the East of the Round Table. The other officers line up West of the Round Table with the Master Squire on the South end of the line and the other officers in order, at his left.

Performance Points: _____

Upon a signal from the Marshal (a nod), the other officers kneel on their left knee with bowed heads for about 3 seconds.

Performance Points: _____

Upon a second signal from the Marshal they rise. Upon a third signal from the Marshal they move to their respective stations and remain standing.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: * (1 gavel rap)

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, who are the officers of the Round Table?

Senior Squire: The Master Squire, Senior Squire, Junior Squire, Squire Chaplain, Squire Marshal, Squire Treasurer, and Squire Recorder.

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, who is the chief officer of the Round Table and what emblem does he keep?

Senior Squire: The Master Squire is the chief officer, and he keeps the Gavel of Justice.

Master Squire moves directly to the Round Table, carrying the Gavel.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: What does his emblem represent?

Senior Squire: It is a symbol of Justice and Leadership.

Master Squire places the Gavel in the southeast quadrant of the Round Table, as it is in the Squire Emblem.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, what emblem do you keep?

Senior Squire: I keep the Sword of Truth.

Senior Squire moves to the Round Table, placing the Sword in the Northwest (lower-left) quadrant, as it is in the Squire Emblem.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Brother Junior Squire, what emblem do you keep?

Junior Squire: I keep the Books of Wisdom.

Junior Squire to the Round Table, and places the school books in the Southwest (lower right) quadrant of the Round Table, as it is in the Squire Emblem.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Brother Junior Squire, what do our emblems mean? ____

Junior Squire: That true leadership depends on Wisdom, Truth, and Justice.

Master Squire nods. The three officers all do an about-face and move directly back to their stations.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Brother Squire Marshal, you will present the flag of our country and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Master Squire: *** (3 raps) *All rise*

Squire Marshal proceeds to the flag, removes it from the stand and remaining in place, turns and faces the Round Table.

Performance Points: _____

Squire Marshal: Brothers, you will pledge allegiance to the flag of our Country.

ALL: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Squire Marshal, replaces the flag in the stand and returns to his station.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Brother Squire Chaplain, you will open the Bible, and lead us in our opening prayer. Brothers you will stand with bowed heads.

Squire Chaplain proceeds to the West of the Round Table, kneels, and opens the Holy Bible to Proverbs, Chapter 23.

Performance Points: _____

Squire Chaplain: Our Heavenly Father, we ask Thy blessing on our meeting. Help us to grow in wisdom, know what is true, and be just and kind to one another. Amen.

All respond: Amen.

Squire Chaplain rises and returns to his station.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Brothers, what did you promise as a Squire?

ALL Squires: I promised to be a better son, and to love and serve God. I promised to learn, and to serve my fellow man. I promised to seek the truth. I promised to be just and kind to my brothers. To all these things and more I did promise.

Master Squire: I now declare this Manor open for Business.

* (rap) All sit down

Performance Points: _____

Closing Ritual

Master Squire: Brothers, is there anything further to come before this Round Table?
(Waits for response) None appearing, we shall proceed to close.

** (2 raps) Officers rise.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire moves directly to the Round Table.

Master Squire: Brother Senior Squire, what have you learned?

Performance Points: _____

Senior Squire: My brothers, I have learned that Truth is Eternal.

Senior Squire moves directly to the Round Table.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Brother Junior Squire, what have you learned?

Junior Squire: My brothers, I have learned that Wisdom is Power.

Junior Squire moves directly to the Round Table.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: And I, my brothers, have learned that Wisdom, Truth, and Justice are the jewels of Leadership.

Master Squire nods and all three officers retrieve the emblems of their offices.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire nods again. All three officers do an about-face, and retrace their steps back to their stations, taking the emblems with them. They should remain standing...

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: Squire Chaplain, you will close the Bible and lead us in our closing prayer.

Master Squire: *** (3 raps) All rise.

Squire Chaplain proceeds to the West of the Round Table, kneels and prays.

Performance Points: _____

Squire Chaplain: Our Heavenly Father, we thank you for the opportunity to be together. Help us to grow in Wisdom, to know that which is True, and to be Just in our decisions. Help us to honor you and be faithful to our brothers. Amen.

ALL Squires: God bless Mother, God bless Father, God bless the purpose of the Squires. Amen.

Squire Chaplain closes the Bible, then rises, and remains at the Round Table.

Performance Points: _____

Master Squire: This Manor is closed.

* (1 rap)

Performance Points: _____

Performance Points: _____ out of 115