



EDGE

Troop 2970

You may be asking, “What is EDGE™?”

EDGE™ is the method used in Boy Scouts to teach in the troop. The key to making EDGE™ work is to use it for all teaching opportunities. Make it a habit.

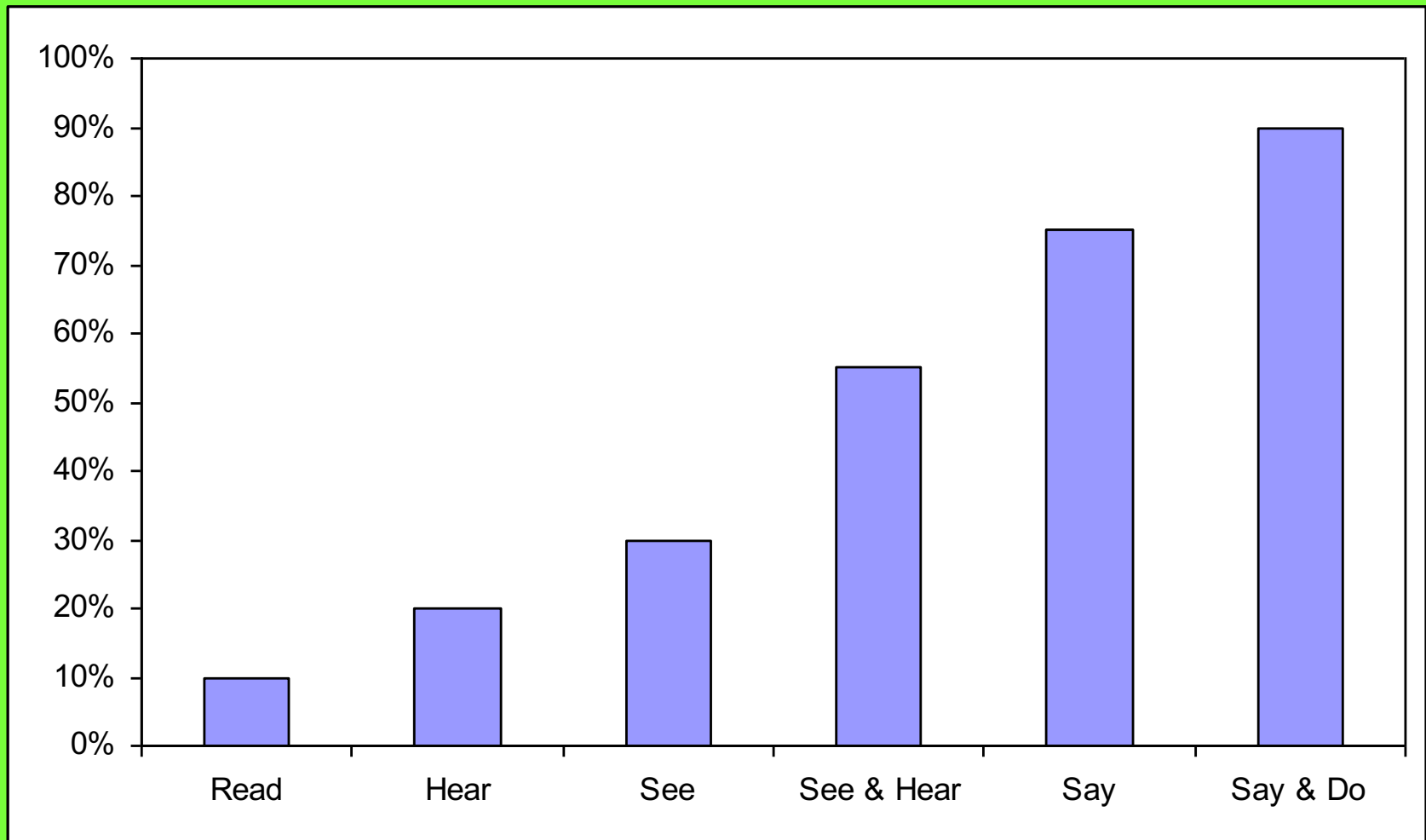
- 1. Explain**—The trainer *explains* how something is done.
- 2. Demonstrate**—After the trainer explains, the trainer *demonstrates* while explaining again.
- 3. Guide**—The learner tries the skill while the trainer *guides* him through it.
- 4. Enable**—The trainee works on his own under the watchful eye of the trainer. The trainer’s role in this step is to remove any obstacles to success, which *enables* the learner to succeed.

New Boy Scout Rank Requirement

Effective January 1, 2010

- Tenderfoot
 - A Scout must teach another person how to tie a square knot using the EDGE model
- Life
 - A Scout must use the EDGE model to teach a younger Scout a specific skill.

Learning Methods and Information Retention



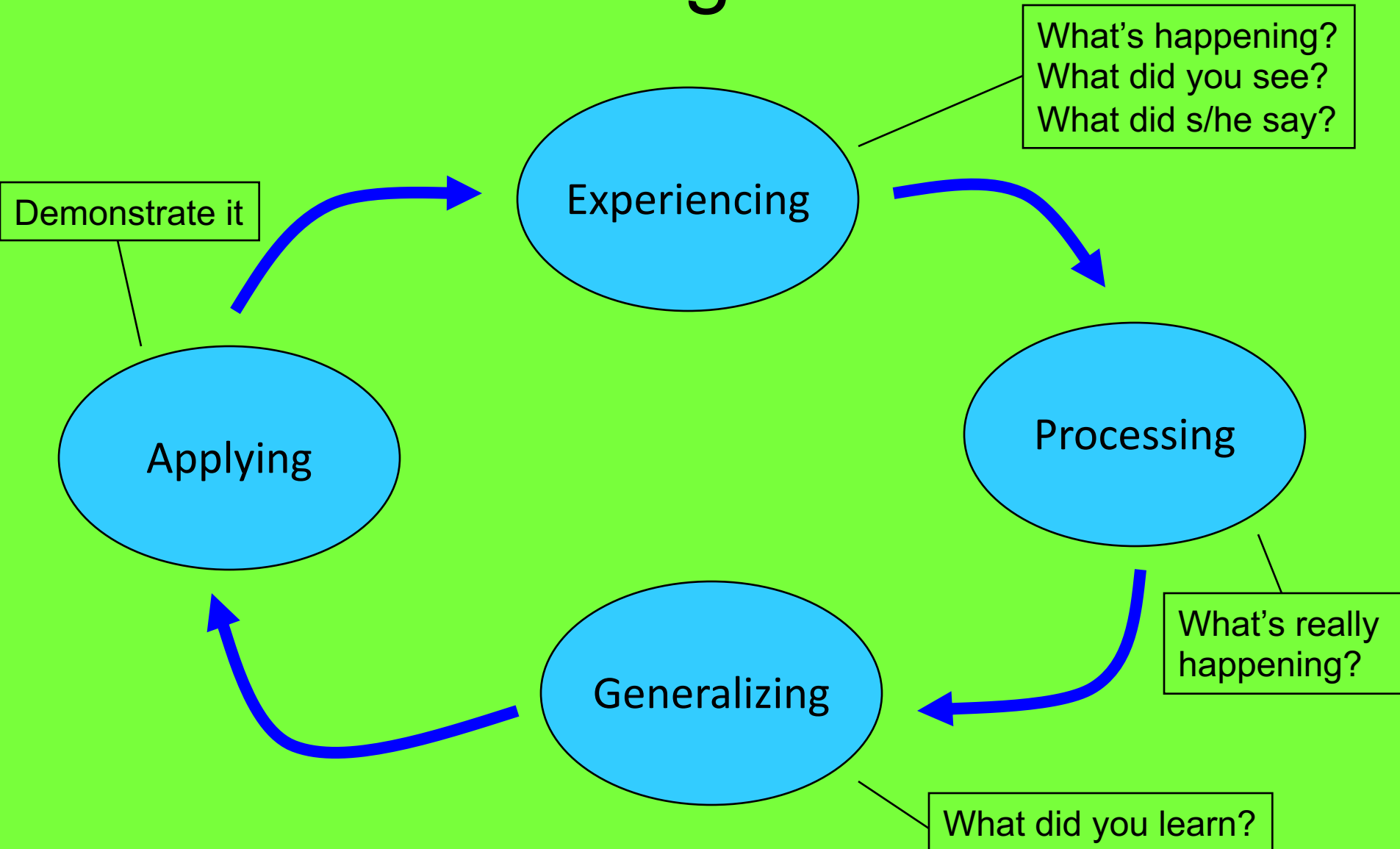
The Edge Model

Explain	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tell them (talk, audiotape)Give written instruction (paper, book, web page)
Demonstrate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Show (role play, video, computer animation)Do it yourself as they watchUse a diagramTell a story (fiction or real-life)
Guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Watch them do it and give verbal hints and tipsDo it together at the same timeLet them try it, then talk about itLet them ask questions as they try it
Enable	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Give a memory aidGive them a task that requires this learningAsk them to teach someone the new learningGive them the resources to do it again without youHelp them use the learning again in a new setting or situation

The EDGE Model

- Though shown as separate steps, one step flows to the next.
- The steps are connected
- You can combine steps to accomplish the learning

Learning Model



Summary

- Using EDGE enables everyone to understand the training process so we are consistent in delivery
- Teaching someone shows understanding
- Enables more leadership opportunities for scouts
- Training for scouts by scouts teaches leadership
- TLT – Troop Leadership Training
- Adult Training: On-line, University of Scouting, The Trainer's EDGE, Wood Badge...