

Fill in the blanks

Read out the statements below to test everyone's camping knowledge.



Do ...	Answer	Don't ...	Answer
... pitch your blank on flat ground that's free of sharp objects.	<p>Tent</p> <p>This makes pitching your tent much easier, and makes sleeping in it a lot more comfortable.</p>	... pitch your blank on stony ground.	<p>Tent</p> <p>This wouldn't be very comfortable to sleep on, and sharp objects can damage your equipment.</p>
... close tent blank before pegging out.	<p>Flaps</p> <p>This will help keep the tent in the right shape, and make it easier to close the tent flaps.</p>	... pitch your tent underneath a blank .	<p>Tree</p> <p>In case of falling branches.</p>
... take off your blank when entering your tent.	<p>Shoes</p> <p>This will keep your tent clean.</p>	... pitch your tent in the middle of a blank .	<p>Walkway (or footpath)</p> <p>You'll obstruct a path that others may want to use.</p>
... hammer blank into the ground at a 45 degree angle.	<p>Pegs</p> <p>This helps to stop pegs slipping off the loop or coming out of the ground.</p>	... pitch your tent so that the blank is facing against the wind.	<p>Door</p> <p>Position your tent in the same direction as the wind, otherwise the door will keep flapping open.</p>
... move your tents around if you're camping for longer than a blank .	<p>Week</p> <p>This will help the grass underneath your tent recover faster.</p>	... blank your dinner inside your tent.	<p>Cook</p> <p>Naked flames are a fire hazard and should always be handled in open air, or a well ventilated space.</p>

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... make sure blank lines follow the seams of the tent.	<p>Guy</p> <p>This makes the tent more stable.</p>	... set up your tent in the blank .	<p>Dark</p> <p>You won't be able to spot potential hazards as easily so you'll be more likely to hurt yourself – or pitch your tent somewhere unsafe.</p>
... take your blank with you.	<p>Litter</p> <p>Respect the outdoors by leaving your campsite as you found it.</p>	... leave your blank burning all night.	<p>Campfire</p> <p>This is a serious fire hazard. Any naked flames should be monitored at all times.</p>
... practice pitching and striking tents before your blank .	<p>Camping trip (or camp, or trip)</p> <p>Practicing pitching and striking will help you find the best and quickest methods. You'll be more confident in your camping abilities, and it's also a chance to check that you have everything you need.</p>	... make lots of blank when everyone has gone to sleep.	<p>Noise</p> <p>It's important to think about other campers and make sure everyone gets the good night's sleep they deserve.</p>
... use high visibility guy lines or mark them with blank .	<p>Flags</p> <p>Guy lines are a major trip hazard, so let other people know they're there – and remind yourself too.</p>	... play sword-fighting with your tent blank .	<p>Poles</p> <p>This can injure yourself and others, and it can damage your equipment too.</p>
... get familiar with your blank .	<p>Campsite</p> <p>It's important to be aware of any potential hazards, such as rivers or ponds. You also need to know where the exit is case you need to evacuate... and of course, find the toilet too!</p>	... pitch tents blank .	<p>Too close together</p> <p>Aim to pitch tents at least six meters apart to avoid the risk of fire spreading.</p>

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... always place your tent bag down blank .	Flat Resting your tent bag on its end can damage the poles.	... use a hairdryer to dry your tent before packing it away if it's blank .	Wet It's best to pack your tent away when it is dry; however, you should never attempt to dry your tent with an unnatural heat source as this can affect the fabric.
... blank and pack away your tent carefully.	Fold Storing tents correctly means they're less likely to get damaged.	... use a wooden mallet to hammer in blank pegs.	Metal You should use a wooden mallet for wooden pegs, and a rubber mallet for metal pegs.
... tie guy lines up by folding it into blank , and then tie the whole bundle in an overhand knot.	Thirds When you next unpack your guy lines, this will make sure they come out straight and unknotted.	... blank guy lines too much.	Tighten You should tighten your guy lines regularly to avoid sagging; but be careful not to place them under excess tension.
... scrape dirt and soil from blank before packing them away.	Pegs Cleaning your equipment is crucial when striking your tent, so that everything is kept in good condition.	... pitch a blank tent by yourself.	Patrol A patrol tent, which is the traditional Scout tent, needs at least three people to pitch it.