United States Beef Stew

INGREDIENTS

- Pot Roast Figure three people for each pound, so if you have 8 or 9 people eating, get a 3-pound roast
- Carrots (one for each person)
- Potatoes (one for each person)
- Onions (one for every two people)
- Green Peppers (one for every two people)
- Celery 2 or 3 stalks (if desired)
- Seasoning ingredients: bay leaf, paprika, crushed cloves, pepper, salt, crushed garlic, Worcestershire sauce, sugar
- Other supplies: oil, flour, bread, hot cocoa mix

AT HOME

- 1. Cut Pot Roast up into cubes or pieces about 1 inch in size. When done, put in a sealed plastic bag and refrigerate until you leave for the hike.
- 2. In a plastic bag which you can seal, place:
 - 1 Bay Leaf
 - 1 Tbsp. of sugar
 - 1 tsp. of paprika
 - 1/8 tsp. of cloves or less
 - 1 tsp. of pepper
 - 1 tsp. of salt
 - 1 slice of onion
 - 1 clove of crushed garlic
 - 2 Tbsp. of Worcestershire sauce
- 3. Be sure you seal this bag tight!

AT CAMP

- 1. Flour your meat
- 2. Brown the meat in oil in the Dutch oven
- 3. While meat is browning, heat 2 cups of water to boil and add this boiling water to the meat when it is browned.
- 4. Add the plastic bag of seasonings listed above (Take OUT of the bag first, idiot!)
- 5. SIMMER SIMMER!!! for 1 and 1/2 hours. Look at it every 15 minutes or so to make sure that the liquid is not boiling away.
- 6. After 1 and 1/2 hours of simmering add carrots, potatoes, onions and green pepper (see above for amounts).
- 7. Cover and simmer for another 45 minutes you will probably have to add a cup of water at this point. NOW IS THE TIME to call Russ over to take a look!
- 8. After 45 minutes of simmering use a separate bowl to mix 3 Tbsp. Of flour into 1/3 cup of cold water. Stir this slowly into the stew.
- 9. Simmer for 3 more minutes.
- 10. Eat hot with plenty of whole wheat bread and lots of HOT cocoa. GREAT!!!

ADDITIONAL INFO:

Browning meat - bring about 1/2 cup of oil in a plastic jar with a tight lid. Also bring a small plastic bag with flour (about 1 cup). Close it tight.

Vegetables - see ingredients for amounts. If they are small, you obviously might need more of them - use your mind on this. Also, I like to add a few stalks of celery even though the recipe doesn't call for it.

Gravy - see no. 8 above - note you will need to have some flour for this - so don't use it all when you brown the meat.

Bread and cocoa - is important. Have at least 3 slices of bread per person and at least 2 cups of HOT cocoa per person.