BROWNIE
BADGE – A – MONTH

GIRL SCOUT WAY

As a Girl Scout Brownie, you’re part of a sisterhood. Brownies all over the world share traditions and do good things to make the world a better place. In this badge, try some special Brownie traditions (some that Girl Scouts have been sharing for over 100 years!) – and, of course, have a world of Brownie Fun:

Step #1 SING EVERYWHERE - Learn three new Girl Scout songs
(ask experienced leaders or older girls to help with the tunes to these songs)

Brownie Smile Song
I've got something in my pocket, it belongs across my face.
I keep it very close at hand, in a most convenient place.
I'm sure you couldn't guess it if you guessed a long, long while.
So I'll take it out and put it on, it's a Great Big Brownie Smile!

Girl Scout Song
She wears a G for generosity,
She wears an I for interest too.
She wears an R for real life sportsmanship,
She wears an L for loyalty, for loyalty.
She wears an S for her sincerity,
She wears a C for courtesy.
She wears and O-U-T for outdoor life, outdoor life
She's a real Girl Scout!

Make New Friends (with extra verses)
Make new friends but keep the old,
One is silver and the other gold.
A circle’s round, it has no end,
That’s how long I want to be your friend.
I have a hand and you have the other
Put them together and we have each other
Silver is precious, gold is too
I am precious and so are you.
A fire burns bright, it warms the heart.
We've been friends right from the start.
Across the miles, across the sea.
Friends forever, we will be.

*Use the first 2 verses as your closing circle. Everybody crosses their arms and then joins hands. After you sing the 2nd verse one person makes a wish and gently squeezes the hand of the girl next to her. Still holding hands you flip under the arms and turn
Step #2 – CELEBRATE JULIETTE LOW’S BIRTHDAY – Throw a birthday bash

Have a birthday party for Daisy.
   1. Share cupcakes or a cake with the girls
   2. Sing Happy Birthday to Daisy
   3. Play The Juliette Low And Girl Scouting Game (see below)
   4. Have girls bring gifts as a service project for a local shelter, hospital, etc.
   5. Play “Kim’s Game” (see below)

Juliette Low and Girl Scouting Game
Divide the girls into eight groups. Each group will represent one of the people, places or groups listed below. When they hear the name of their assigned person, place or group, they should stand up and make their sound and action.
- Little girls - Giggle with hand over mouth
- Juliette Low - Curtsy and say, “Be my friend.”
- Georgia - Wave and say, “Hi, y’all!”
- Horses - Stamp your feet and say, “Neighhhhh!”
- Lord Baden-Powell - Bow formally and say, “How d’ya do?”
- London - Sing “London Bridge is Falling Down.”
- Boy Scouts - Make Boy Scout sign (same as the Girl Scout sign) and say “Be Prepared.”
- Girl Scouts - Make the Girl Scout sign and say, “On My Honor.”

Read the story below to the girls.
Once upon a time there was a little girl named Juliette Low who lived in Georgia and loved to ride horses. After she grew up, she went to London where she met Lord Baden-Powell, who founded the Boy Scouts. She was fascinated by the work he was doing. She studied with him for a while and decided to found a troop of Girl Scouts for the little girls who liked to ride horses in Georgia. So, Juliette Low said goodbye to the Boy Scouts in London and came home with the ideas that Lord Baden-Powell gave her. She formed a group of little girls who liked to ride horses and be together into a troop of Girl Scouts. The girls loved it so much that the idea spread and now there are Girl Scout troops all over the world. Aren’t we glad that a little girl named Juliette Low, from Georgia, who liked horses went to London and met Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of the Boy Scouts, and came to start the wonderful world of Girl Scouts?

Juliette Low Kim’s Game
Juliette was born on Oct 31, 1860 - Halloween (Hold up a pumpkin) Her uncle took one look at her and said, "She looks like a Daisy" this nickname stuck with her for the rest of her life (Hold up silk Daisy) Juliette always loved animals, especially horses. (Show toy horse) She also loved to draw and paint pictures - so much, that she created a children's magazine with all of the articles and pictures done by children (Show crayons, colored pencils or paint brushes) Juliette married Willie Gordon Low in 1886. (Hold up wedding ring) Some of the rice thrown at their wedding became lodged in Juliette’s left ear, causing her to become deaf in this ear (Show baggie of rice) Juliette and Willie both loved adventure, so together they decided to move to England (Hold up sailboat) Once in England, Juliette met Lord & Lady Baden-Powell. She very much enjoyed what they had done with the Boy Scout movement (Hold up picture of a boy) Willie passed away while they lived in England, Juliette returned to Georgia and made the famous phone call which was heard around the United States, "Come on over to my house tonight, we are going to hold the first Girl Scout meeting!" (Hold up telephone) As with all Girl Scout troops, money was needed to keep the program running, so Juliette sold the pearl necklace Willie had given her for a wedding present. (Show strand of pearls) Girl Scouting in the USA was born on March 12, 1912 and continues today with over 3 1/2 million members. (Hold up GS pin)

You can use real items for the this game or cut out and use the attached pictures to share the story.
Now, cover up all the items you have been showing, give girls a short period of time to list all the items.
Step #3 – SHARE SISTERHOOD – Make a team mural, collage, flag or other artwork.

Make a Friendship Chain
Cut colored paper into strips 2 inches wide. Then cut these strips into 4 or 5 inch lengths. Have girls print their names and their favorite Girl Scout Law on one of these strips. Begin with one strip. Paste both ends of a strip together, making a circle. Put the next strip from the next girl through this circle and paste the ends of the second one together, and so on, until the children have a chain as long as they want it. Make these chains out of any kind of paper. Colored construction paper or gold or silver metallic paper is effective as party decorations. Great party decoration! Or use to decorate your meeting room with a friendship chain.

Step #4 – LEAVE A PLACE BETTER THAN YOU FOUND IT – a better meeting place

Find three ways to leave your Girl Scout meeting place better than you found it:
1. Wash and dry the tables and chairs you use
2. Sweep the floor/vacuum the rug
3. If allowed, hang some Girl Scout decorations on the walls
4. Dust the windowsills
5. Wash around the door knobs

Step #5 – ENJOY GIRL SCOUT TRADITIONS – Make up a story about Campbell, Jamila and Alejandra.

Try these story starters as a springboard and see where their imaginations go:

  Once up on a time Campbell, Jamila and Aljandra went for a walk in a forest. They walked and they walked and they walked until at last they found a ….
  When Campbell woke up this morning, you’ll never believe what she found in her bedroom. It was a great big...
  Once upon a time, Jamila lived in a little cottage in the middle of a wood. One day she woke up and said to herself...
  It was the first day of school and teacher introduced us to three new friends. They had come from...

When girls have completed these five activities, they will have earned the Brownie Girl Scout Way badge.