

DAISY BETWEEN EARTH AND SKY - MEETING 3

Badge Purpose: When girls have earned this award, they will have learned about and committed to protecting a natural treasure. Girls will also educate and inspire others in their community to join them.

Activity Plan Length: 1.5 hours

Time	Activity	Materials Needed
15 minutes	Getting Started • Girls recite the Girl Scout Promise + Law.	☐ (Optional) Girl Scout Promise and Law poster
15 minutes	Recycle it or Trash it? • Girls will go on a nature walk and make observations about the environment.	 □ Recycling and trash items (i.e. cardboard, plastic bottles, candy wrappers, etc.) □ Two containers
5 minutes	Take Action Project PrepGirls will prepare to start their Take Action project.	None
30 minutes	Take Action: Community Clean-up Scavenger Hunt Girls will take action in their community by completing a scavenger hunt while they are cleaning up a local park.	 □ Scavenger Hunt checklist □ Bags to collect garbage items □ Plastic gloves □ (Optional) Prize for completing the scavenger hunt
10 minutes	Snack Chat Girls will enjoy a snack and celebrate earning their award.	☐ Healthy snack
15 minutes	Wrapping Up	☐ (Optional) Make New Friends song lyrics poster

Getting Started

Materials Needed: (Optional) Girl Scout Promise and Law poster, (optional) Girl Scout Daisy song lyrics poster

Time: 15 minutes

Welcome everyone to the meeting, recite the Girl Scout Promise and Law, and sing the Girl Scout Daisy song.

Activity #1: Recycle It or Trash It?

Materials Needed: Recycling and trash items (cardboard, plastic bottles, candy wrappers, etc.), two bins Prep Needed:

- Spread out the recycling and trash items around the room.
- Put the two bins apart from each other.
- 1. Explain to the girls that as Girl Scouts, it is important to make the world a better place. That means knowing what can be recycled and what should be thrown in the trash.

Time: 15 minutes

Time: 5 minutes

- 2. Share with the girls that recycled items will be reused as something else in the future, whereas trash will go to a dump and cannot be made into something else. Show some examples of recycled and trash items for the girls.
- 3. Split the girls into two groups and line them up next to each other. Explain that the girls need to sort through the items to determine which bin it should go into the trash or the recycling. Two girls (one from each team) run up pick one item and run it to the correct bin. Continue though until each girl has a turn.
- 4. When all girls have completed go through each bin with them to decide if everything was put in the correct place.

NOTE: Make sure that the trash items you use are clean. These could be items such as the bags from cereal boxes, chip bags, candy wrappers, etc.

Activity #2: Take Action Project Prep

Materials Needed: None

- 1. Explain to the girls that an important part of being a Girl Scout is to Take Action. Their Take Action project will involve protecting natural treasures, especially in the community.
- 2. Share with the girls that they will be going on a Community Clean Up Scavenger Hunt. They will be looking for things that don't belong at their local park (such as pieces of garbage).
- 3. Brainstorm with the girls about things that they should pick up and things they should they leave be. (For example, if they see a flower, should the pick it or leave it be?)
- 4. Also, take a moment to talk about things that girls should definitely not pick up (unsafe items such as needles, broken glass, bottles that contained alcohol, cigarette butts, etc.). Encourage the girls to reach out and ask for help from an adult if they find an object they're unsure whether or not to pick up.

Activity #3: Take Action: Community Clean-Up Scavenger Hunt Time: 30 minutes

Materials Needed: Garbage bags, protective gloves, Scavenger Hunt Checklist, (optional) prize for completing the scavenger hunt

Prep Needed:

- Print copies of the Scavenger Hunt Checklist (one for each group of 3 to 5 girls).
- 1. Split girls into groups of 3 to 5. Provide each girl with protective gloves, a garbage bag, and the Scavenger Hunt Checklist for their group.
- 2. Travel to a local park or nearby elementary school to start the clean-up adventure. Remind the girls that they are there to clean up their local area.
- 3. Give the girls 15 to 20 minutes to clean up the area.
- 4. (Optional) Reward the girls with a small prize when they complete their scavenger hunt.
- 5. Travel back to the meeting space together.

NOTE: Once you return from the park, make sure that the girls wash their hands.

Activity #4: Snack Chat

Materials Needed: Healthy snack

- 1. While enjoying snack, here are some things to talk about:
 - What was something that you learned on your Between Earth and Sky Journey?

Time: 10 minutes

- How do you Take Action at home and try to make the world a better place?
- How did it feel to clean up the park or elementary school?
- What are other ways you can protect a natural treasure in your community?

Wrapping Up Time: 15 minutes

Materials Needed: (Optional) Make New Friends song lyrics poster

Close the meeting by singing Make New Friends and doing a friendship circle.

NOTE TO LEADERS

Take Action projects are an important part of the Journey process and can seem intimidating. This activity plan is a suggestion (with instructions) of a project that you can do.

If your troop is inspired to plan and complete a different Take Action project, go for it! The most important part of a Take Action project is that girls are involved in doing something to make a difference in their community.

Other ideas for Take Action projects for Between Earth and Sky:

- Brainstorm a list of ways to save water and create a play to teach families and friends about saving water.
- Connect with your community to plant a community garden.
- Make a hummingbird feeder out of recycled bottles.

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