Daisy Garden Adventure

Welcome to our Garden Adventure! You are on your way to a funexciting adventure with your girls. This program was designed to provide economical, hands-on activities to enhance the girls' experience and to make your time as a volunteer enjoyable and stress-free.

Materials and Supplies

Yellow highlighted items are included in the Team Bag. One Team Bag will have enough group supplies for up to 12 girls to complete the team projects.

Pink highlighted items are included in each Girl's Bag. You will need one Girls Bag for each girl participating

Green highlighted items are available for purchase at your council store. You will need at least one Daisy Journey book Welcome to the Daisy Flower Garden to read aloud to the girls and one award set for each girl. The accompanying leader guide has helpful information for customizing your journey and for interacting with girls of this age.

Blue highlighted items are not included in either pack.

Overview

This program is designed for six one-hour sessions. Each session is broken down into six segments.

- 1) Arrival and Opening Ceremony (5 Minutes)
- 2) Story Time (10 Minutes)
- 3) Discussion Time with Snack Optional (10 Minutes)
- 4) Project Time (15 Minutes)
- 5) Individual Time (10 Minutes)
- 6) Team Time and Closing Ceremony (10 Minutes)

Plus one planning session and one party event.



Arrival and Opening Ceremony for all Sessions

As girls arrive, give them each a coloring page to work on until the meeting begins. There are six coloring pages; one for each meeting. The coloring pages will be used as clues for a future meeting. This is also a good time to collect dues and any needed paper work. Begin your meetings with a simple ceremony such as saying the Girl Scout Promise or the Pledge.

Mini Scrapbooks

What will the girls be putting in their scrapbook? We've provided coloring pages and paper for personal drawings that will fit in the scrapbook. If possible, have someone take photos during your sessions. Digital photos can be printed on inexpensive copy paper and added to the scrapbook. If you take a trip, try to gather a memento such as a postcard to add the scrapbook. Paper dolls from MakingFriends.com fit in the scrapbook. There are free Daisy Girl Scout paper dolls and free gardener paper dolls plus multi-cultural paper dolls, recipes and fact cards for Mexico and India (two of the countries your girls will be learning about during their adventure.)

Taking a Trip or Tour

While not necessary, girls will love to take a trip to enhance their adventure. A trip to a nursery or a farm would be a good learning experience for learning about planting. The Girls' Bags include a "Plant Flowers" fun patch as a keepsake for a trip. If you prefer, the patch can be awarded for a community service project. See the "Planning Session" on the reverse side for ideas.

The leader guide has many other ideas. Customize your adventure to what will work best for you.

Session 1 Learning About Each Other

Session 1, Before You Begin

You Need: Crayons

Roll of Paper for Mural

Free Flower Printables from MakingFriends.com

Jumbo Craft Sticks

Tacky Glue

Scissors

Promise Poster Blank 4" x 6" Paper (1 per girl) Gardening Stickers Sheet (1 per girl)

Mini Scrapbook (1 per girl)

Scrapbook Cover Insert (1 per girl) Girl Giving Herbs Coloring Page (1 per girl)

Garden Patch Background Award (1 per girl) Daisy Flower Garden Story Book

Session 1, Arrival and Opening Ceremony

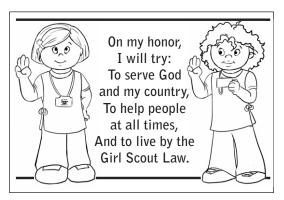
Girls work on their coloring page until meeting begins. Place the page in their scrapbook.

Session 1, Story Time

Read aloud pages 5-15 of "Welcome to the Daisy Flower Garden". (Consider making the story interactive by printing the free flower faces from MakingFriends.com and gluing them to craft sticks to make puppets. http://www.makingfriends.com/scouts/scouts daisy.htm)

Session 1, **Discussion Time**

Use the poster to review the Girl Scout promise. Have the girls each say the promise and then place one of her garden stickers on the poster.



Session 1, Project Time

Instruct the girls to decorate the printed insert for the scrapbook cover with some of the stickers. Slide the insert in the front sleeve of the scrapbook. Insert the coloring page in the scrapbook. The stickers will continue to be used throughout the adventure.

Session 1, Individual Time

Instruct girls to write their name on a sheet of the blank scrapbook paper. Ask the girls, "What is your favorite thing to do outside? Draw a picture of yourself doing it." Place inside the scrapbook.

Session 1, Team Time

Instruct the girls to draw flowers on the mural to make a garden. Ask them to draw themselves playing in the garden. End your meetings with a Friendship Circle and give the girls their Garden Background Award as their rides arrive.

If you have 10 girls or less make the bee hat and the lady bug hat from your Team Bag for you and your co-leader to wear during story time. The girls will be making their own flower garden hats at a later meeting.

Extra Time? Have your ipod handy. Play some music and dance "like flowers in the breeze".

Session 2 Learning About Girl Scout Values

Session 2, Before You Begin

You Need: Crayons

BONUS PROJECT

PRINT FREE AT

MAKINGFRIENDS.COM

Potting Soil Watering Can Mural

Large Bucket Law Poster **Promise Poster** Treasure Box

Blank 4" x 6" Paper (1 per girl) Garden Stickers Sheet (1 per girl) Mini Scrapbook (1 per girl) Pulling Weeds Coloring Page (1 per girl)

Daisy Flower Garden Story Book

Beans, peas or marigolds are good choices for planting since the seeds are large and easy to handle. You will need to create drainage for your pot. The easiest way would be to put a layer of small stones in the bottom of your pot. Fill the pot with potting soil. Put the packet of seeds in the treasure box. Hide the treasure box at your meeting site before the girls arrive. If possible, hide it outside to give the girls an opportunity to get outdoors.

Session 2, Arrival and Opening Ceremony

Girls work on their coloring page until meeting begins. Place the page in their scrapbook.

Session 2, Story Time

Read aloud pages 17-19 and 23-30 of "Daisy Flower Garden Story Book."

Session 2, Discussion Time

Use the poster to review the Girl Scout law. Which parts of the law did we hear about in the story? Here are some examples:

When Chandra shared her snack she was being.. (kind and considerate)

When the bee lead them to the treasure box she was being... (helpful)

What other examples did we hear about in the story? Each time a girl participates ask her to place a sticker on the law poster.

Session2, Project Time

Tell the girls that there is a treasure box hidden and have them pair up to search for it. Make sure they have clear guidelines of what area they need to stay within. Whoever finds the box should call out to the others so everyone can see inside when it is opened.



Following the directions on the seed packet, let the girls each take a turn planting a seed then take a turn watering. To avoid over watering you might consider giving each girl a small cup with an inch of water to gently pour in.

Session 2, Individual Time

Give the girls each a sheet of the blank scrapbook paper and ask them to draw a picture of something they might like to find in a treasure box. Place it in their scrapbook.

Session 2, Team Time

Have the girls work on the mural. End your meetings with a Friendship Circle.

Why not cut and paste on your mural too? Add flower photos printed from the internet.



Session 3, Before You Begin

You Need: Crayons

Tacky Glue or Glue Dots Permanent Marker Watering Can Permanent Marker

Mural **Planted Pot**

Blank 4" x 6" Paper (1 per girl) Foamie Visors (1 per girl)

Foamie Shapes

Garden Hat Instructions Treasure Box

Garden Stickers Sheet (1 per girl) Mini Scrapbook (1 per girl)

Planting Flowers Coloring Page (1 per girl) Daisy Flower Garden Story Book

Your Team Bag includes supplies to make 12 garden hats - ten flowers, one bee and one lady bug. The ten flowers each represent one part of the Girl Scout law. If you have ten girls or less you may have already made the bee and lady bug hat for you and your co-leader to wear during story time. Place one of each color oval in the treasure box and hide the treasure box before your meeting. Write one of the ten points of the Girl Scout law on each of the ten visors with a permanent marker.

Session 3, Arrival and Opening Ceremony

Girls work on their coloring page until meeting begins. Place the page in their scrapbook.

Session 3, Story Time

Read aloud pages 33-43 and pages 47-49 of "Daisy Flower Garden Story Book."

Session 3, Discussion Time

Use the poster to review the Girl Scout law. Which parts of the law did we hear about in the story? Can the girls give some examples of when they were...

- ...Friendly or Helpful like Sunny?
- ... Considerate or Caring like Zinni?
- ...Responsible like Mari?

Each time a girl participates ask her to place a sticker on the law poster.

Session 3, Project Time

Send the girls out in pairs to look for the treasure box. Remind them not to open it until the others have gathered. Have the girls guess what the ovals are for. Ask each girl to reach in the treasure box and pull out one oval without looking. This may be a good time to remind them about being honest and fair. "We picked fairly. Wait and see how beautiful your project will look." Directions are included in the troop pack for making the hats.

Session 3, Individual Time

Give the girls each a sheet of the blank scrapbook paper and ask them to draw themselves wearing their garden hats. Place the drawing in their scrapbook.

Session 3, Team Time

Have the girls each take a turn watering the plant. Look for growth. Talk to them about being responsible for the plant's care. Have the girls work on the mural. End your meeting with a Friendship Circle. Write the girls' names on their hats and collect them before they leave.

> Less than 10 girls? Make up the extra hats for use at future meetings.

Session 4 **Learning Personal** Responsibility

Session 4, Before You Begin

You Need: Crayons Potting Soil

> Seeds Small Rocks or Gravel

Mural Law Poste

Blank 4" x 6" Paper (1 per girl)

Treasure Box Large Planted Pot Garden Hats

Garden Sticker Sheets (1 per girl)

Mini Scrapbook (1 per girl)

Ladybug Coloring Page (1 per girl) **Small Pails**

treasure box before your meeting.

Daisy Flower Garden Book Watering Can Award (1 per girl)

Place one of the small pails inside the treasure box. Hide the

Session 4, Arrival and Opening Ceremony

Girls work on their coloring page until meeting begins.

Session 4, Story Time

Hand out the garden hats. Read aloud pages 50-60 of "Daisy Flower Garden." Ask the girls to stand when their flower is mentioned in the story.

Session 4, Discussion Time

Review the Girl Scout law and ask the girls to give examples of when they lived by the law. You can ask them to think about the flower they represent and maybe they can think of something for that part of the law. Each time a girl participates ask her to place a garden sticker on the law poster.

Session 4, Project Time

Send the girls out in pairs to look for the treasure box. Remind them not to open it until the others have gathered. Have the girls guess what the pail is for and bring it to your project area. Instruct the girls to sprinkle some gravel or small rocks in the bottom of her pail. If you prefer, you can poke holes in the bottom with an awl and provide a plastic plate for drainage. Explain to the girls that the extra water will trickle down so the roots don't get too wet. Over-watering a plant or under-watering a plant is not good for it's growth. Help the girls fill their pail with potting soil and plant the seeds and water them.

Session 4, Individual Time

Give each girl a sheet of the blank scrapbook paper and have her draw a flower garden.

Session 4, Team Time

Have the girls each take a turn watering the troop plant. Look for growth. Talk to them about being responsible for the plant's care and for the plant they are taking home. Have the girls work on the mural. Collect the hats before they leave. Congratulate the girls; they have now earned the Watering Can Award for learning to be responsible for their plants. Instruct them to place the plant in a warm, sunny spot and water it a little every day. Show the girls the awards but it is best to hand them to an adult when the girls are picked up.

If your girls still have plenty of stickers,

Session 5 Planning a **Take Action Project**

Session 5, Before You Begin

You Need: Crayons

Mural Law Poster

Promise Poster

Blank 4" x 6" Paper (1 per gii

Treasure Box Large Planted Pot **Garden Hats**

Garden Sticker Sheets (1 per girl) Mini Scrapbook (1 per girl)

Worm Composting Coloring Page (1 per girl)

Honey Bee Hanger Craft Daisy Flower Garden Book

Place the two pieces of the honey bee hive from one of the craft kits inside the treasure box. Hide the treasure box before your meeting.

Session 5, Arrival and Opening Ceremony

Girls work on their coloring page until meeting begins. Place the page in their scrapbook.

Session 5, Story Time

Hand out the garden hats. Read aloud pages 67-75 of "Daisy Flower Garden."

Session 5, Discussion Time

Tell the girls it's time to plan for their Take Action Project. What projects are Cora, Campbell and Chandra considering? (Worm composting and ladybug hatching) Would the girls like to try one of those projects? Do they have any other ideas? Have the girls look in their scrapbooks for ideas. What about their troop planting? Are there flowers growing? Maybe they can donate it to a shut-in? Are there herbs growing? Maybe they can give it to senior citizen who likes to cook? What about their personal plantings any future ideas for those? Maybe they could ask a family member for help with planting a tree at the park or watering flowers planted at a memorial. Each time a girl participates in the discussion ask her to add a sticker to law poster.

Session 5, Project Time

Send the girls out in pairs to look for the treasure box. Remind them not to open it until the others have gathered. Instructions for the honey bee project are included in the girls' kit. Explain that bees are garden helpers also. They help make seeds when they fly from flower to flower.

Session 5, Individual Time

Give each girl a sheet of the blank scrapbook paper and have her draw the troop planting pot then place it in her scrapbook.

Session 5, Team Time

Have the girls each take a turn watering the plant. Look for new growth. Have the girls work on the mural. It's a good time to add garden helpers to their mural such as lady bugs, worms or bees. Collect the garden hats before they leave.

Session 6 Planning a **Garden Party**

Session 6, Before You Begin

You Need: Crayons Mural

Hot Glue Gun

Acrylic Paint and Brushes or Markers

Law Poster **Promise Poster**

Blank 4" x 6" Paper (1 per girl)

Treasure Box Large Planted Pot

Garden Hats

Garden Sticker Sheets (1 per girl)

Mini Scrapbook (1 per girl)

Garden Planting Coloring Page (1 per girl)

Daisy Promise Clip (1 per girl) Promise Card (1 per girl) Daisy Flower Garden Book

Honey Bee Award

We recommend that you assemble the Daisy Promise clips with hot glue prior to your meeting. Place one of the clips inside the treasure box. Hide the treasure box before your meeting.

Session 6, Arrival and Opening Ceremony

Girls work on their coloring page until meeting begins. Place the page in their scrapbook.

Session 6, Story Time

Hand out the garden hats. Read aloud pages 79-87 of "Daisy Flower Garden." Ask the girls to stand when their flower is mentioned in the story.

Session 6, Discussion Time

Ask the girls if they enjoyed the book and learning about how to be responsible for plants. Have the girls taken care of their plants at home? What about their Take Action Project? Has the troop completed it since their last meeting? If so, congratulate the girls for earning the Honey Bee award. Show them the award but wait to give the awards to the adults when the girls are picked up. Review the Girl Scout Promise and the Law. Ask the girls to add stickers to the posters if they can recite the promise and read the law to the group.

Session 6, Project Time

Send the girls out in pairs to look for the treasure box. Remind them not to open it until the others have gathered. Give the girls markers or paint and brushes to color the clip. Write their names on the bottoms. Give them a Promise card to place in the clip.

Session 6, Individual Time

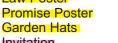
Give each one sheet of the blank scrapbook paper and have her draw a picture of Daisy to add to her scrapbook.

Session 6, Team Time

Have the girls each take a turn watering the plant unless you have donated it for your Take Action Project. Ask the girls to help you write a letter to future Daisy Girl Scouts. Place it in the treasure

Planning Meeting

You Need: Law Poster **Promise Poster**



Invitation Garden Sticker Sheets (1 per girl)

Tell your girls that you will have a celebration to share their experiences on the Flower Garden Adventure with others. They will be given the final Daisy award at the celebration for showing that they understand the Girl Scout Promise and the Law and how they will continue to live by it.

Who would they like to invite? Another Daisy troop? Their families? A friend who is not yet in Girl Scouts? What about going to the local senior center and having your celebration there? Help the girls fill out the invitations and have them decorate with stickers.

Tell the girls that during the celebration they will be putting on a skit wearing their garden hats. What else will they do? Serve a healthy snack? Play music? They certainly will want to display their plants, their Promise Daisies, their beehives and the mural. They will also want to leave their scrapbooks out for the guests to

This might be a good time for a service project. Your girls could ask your guests to meet them at the park to help with a planting before the party. Or you might host the party at your local senior center and donate your plants to the residents. Decide with your group what they want to do. The girls' packs came with a "Plant Flowers" Fun Patch. You could award the girls this patch for the service project.

Here's an idea for the Flower Garden skit:

Using the law poster to help the girls remember, have them recite the Girl Scout law as a group and then have each girl say a line represented by her hat petals:

Light Blue, "I am honest and fair when"
Yellow, "I am friendly and helpful when"
Spring Green, "I am considerate and caring when
Red, "I am courageous and strong when"
Orange, "I am responsible for what I say and do when
Purple, "I respect myself and others when"
Magenta, "I respect authority when"
Green, "I use resources wisely when"
Rose, "I can make the world a better place when

Violet, "I am a sister to other Girl Scouts when

If you have less than ten girls some of the girls can change hats during the skits. If you have 11 or 12 girls, the girls who wear the bee and ladybug hat can recite the Girl Scout Promise.

At the end of your celebration, award the girls their certificates and their Amazing Daisy award.



Extra Time? Page 75 of the Leader Guide has music and lyrics for a Daisy Song.

Maybe you can save the treasure box to give to a Daisy Troop next year.

The final award is earned for knowing and living by the Girl Scout Promise and the Law.