

# DAISYS: IDEAS FOR THE FIRST FOUR MEETINGS

## **First Meeting:**

Objectives: Meet each other, and learn the Girl Scout Promise.

Supplies: Drawing paper, crayons, yarn/scissors for nametags, copies of the Promise, the Promise on poster board and the Daisy Handbook.

Start-up activity: Have the girls decorate nametags (you may need to write their names)

Daisy Circle: Introduce your self and welcome the girls. Have each girl introduce herself and talk about the things she likes (ie: favorite color, favorite food, favorite game or song) Show the girls a Daisy Smock and the Promise Center/Daisy petals they will be earning. Introduce the girls to the Girl Scout promise. Show them the Girl Scout Sign (each finger stand for one part) and have them repeat the Promise, holding up the Girl Scout Sign, as you say it.

Main Activity: Give the girls paper and crayons and ask them to draw how they would (1) serve God, (2) and my country, (3) and how they would help people. (Daisy Handbook p 10-11) Read to them about Daisy p 24-25 and Brownie handbook p. 7.

Snack (optional): introduce the Kaper chart (Leader's handbook p. 52); girls help serve refreshments

Clean-up: organize and orderly clean up (refer to Kaper chart)

### Daisy Clean Up Song (tune: Jingle Bells)

!) Leader:

Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts,  
Let's tidy up the room.  
Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts,  
Time to go home soon.

2) Girls:

Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts,  
We're picking up our things.  
Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts,  
Hear our voices sing.

Closing: Teach the girls how to form a Friendship Circle. You and the girls criss-cross arms right over left and hold hands. Teach the girls a Girl Scout Song (follows). Finish with a Friendship squeeze. Everyone is silent while one person starts the squeeze, which travels around the circle and back to the person who started it. Everyone turns out of the circle.

### Make New Friends

Make new friends, but keep the old,  
One is silver and the other's gold.  
A circle is round, it has no end,  
That's how long I want to be your friend.

### Daisy Girl Scout Song (tune: Clementine)

I'm a Daisy,  
Daisy Girl Scout  
And I'll tell you something, too  
I'm a loyal lil' Girl Scout,  
And my color is true blue.

## **Second Meeting**

Objectives: To learn the Girl Scout Law.

Supplies: Copies of the Girl Scout Law, magazines, scissors, glue, paper, folders. Add the Law to the poster board with the Promise.

Opening: Do a simple Flag ceremony and song they know from school.

Start-up activity: Have the girls decorate the front of their folders. ( the folders will be used to create a Daisy Scrap book.)

Daisy Circle: Welcome everyone. Recite the Girl Scout Promise with the Girl Scout Sign. Introduce the Daisy Circle as a way to make group decisions. Tell the girls they will have an Investiture Ceremony in two weeks when they will formally become Girl Scouts. They will say the promise and receive their pins and smocks. Their families will be invited. Let them plan some of the ceremony, refreshments, etc.

Introduce the Girl Scout Law. Have the girls repeat the law line by line after you. Show the girls the Learning Petals (Daisy handbook p. 21.) Explain how each week they will work on learning about each part of the Girl Scout Law. Introduce the first petal/Law- Honest and Fair. Discuss what Honest and fair mean and how you can be honest and fair. Do the activities on p. 22

Main Activity: Have the girls find pictures in the magazines that illustrate honest and fair to them. Have them cut out the pictures and glue them to the page for their Scrap book. (pages may need time to dry before being put in folders, remember to put names on pages)

Snack: girls help serve snack.

Clean-up: refer to Kaper chart

Closing: Friendship circle, song, and squeeze

## **Third Meeting**

Objectives: Continue learning the law and planning the ceremony.

Supplies: colorful paper, and other items for making invitations (scissors, glue, pictures, stickers, crayons, etc.)

Start-up activity: Have them decorate their Family invitations.

Opening: Do a simple Flag ceremony and song they know from school.

Daisy Circle: Welcome everyone. Recite the Girl Scout Promise with the Girl Scout Sign. Give the girls some time to discuss the past week's events. Give the girls a general outline of the ceremony and let the girls practice the ceremony. Explain where everyone will be sitting and standing, recite the Girl Scout Promise and Law. Encourage and listen to their ideas and suggestions. Introduce the next petal- friendly and helpful. Discuss what that means.

Main Activity: Have the girls draw picture of ways they will be friendly and helpful during the coming week.

Snack: girls help serve snack.

Clean-up: refer to Kaper chart

Closing: Friendship circle, song, and squeeze (don't forget to send the invitations home!)

### **Fourth Meeting**

Objectives: Greet families and friends and hold a investiture ceremony.

Supplies: refreshments, tablecloth, flowers, Daisy Smocks, Pins

Start-up activity: have the girls help set up, arrange the room, etc.

Main Activity: Welcome everyone, sing a song in which everyone can join in. Do a simple flag ceremony. Ceremony (skit, poems, recitations or any other activities planned) Recite the Girl Scout Promise with the Girl Scout Sign and present the girls their smocks and pins. Remarks by leader (goals, soliciting help).

Snack: refreshments

Clean-up: refer to Kaper chart or by troop committee

Closing: Friendship circle, song, and squeeze

## CEREMONY PLANNER

Purpose: _____
Theme: _____
When: _____ Where _____
Guests: _____

	Activities	Props	Who's Doing it?
Before the Ceremony:			
Opening:			
Main:			
Closing:			
Evaluation:			

### Ceremony Basics:

Girl Scouting operates on the principal that girls grow, learn and have fun by making decisions, doing and discovering for themselves. That is why it is important that the girls do as much of the planning for ceremonies as possible.

Questions to ask the girls: Invitations? Refreshments? Theme? Sequence of the ceremony?

Cue cards? Clean-up? Props or equipment needed? Who will get/make/do what? Room arrangement? Closing activity?

Some ways girls can be involved: Choose a song, poem or story; decide who to invite; set up before the ceremony; serve refreshments; help clean up.

☞ Investitures take place the first time a girl joins Girl Scouts. The person being invested says the Girl Scout Promise, receives the Brownie Girl Scout pin and is welcomed into Girl Scouting. Saying the Promise can be done as an individual or a group. The girl should understand, as much as possible that she is agreeing to subscribe to the values and principals of the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

☞ Rededication ceremony takes place each year a girl rejoins Girl Scouting, thus rededicating herself to the values and principals of Girl Scouting.

# Meeting Planning Sheet

Date:	Supplies
Start-Up activity	
Opening	
Business	
Activity/Program	
Clean-Up	
Closing	

Badge work:

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