Short & Snappy—Learning Opportunity for Volunteers

Girl Scout Traditions

Juliette “Daisy” Gordon Low assembled 18 girls from Savannah, Georgia, on March 12, 1912, for a local Girl Scout meeting. She believed that all girls should be given the opportunity to develop physically, mentally, and spiritually. With the goal of bringing girls out of isolated home environments and into community service and the open air, Girl Scouts hiked, played basketball, went on camping trips, learned how to tell time by the stars, and studied first aid. With in a few years, Daisy’s dream for a girl-centered organization was realized.

What’s so special about tradition?

Tradition is what gives us our link to the past. To the people and places, the events, that make us what we are. The traditions handed down form one generation to the next give us a common ground with our families and friends, something we can all do together, share. They are a way of making sure that the ones who have left are remembered, that the things you held dear and touched your life as a child are continued, passed on...maybe to hold dear and touch the life of a grandchild...maybe one you won't ever know.

Traditions with millions of Girl Scouts—and the huge network of Girl Scout alumnae who came before them—helps remind girls they belong to a big, powerful sisterhood.

Instructions:

- Ask the volunteers to think of all the different things that make Girl Scouting unique.

  Suggested answers can include:

  Friendship Circle, Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador, Bridging, buddy system, PA’s (Program Aide), fly up, friendship circle, friendship squeeze, March 12, 1912, Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards, World Thinking Day, GS Promise, GS Law, GS Trefoil, Juliette Gordon Low, kaper chart, Quiet sign, WAGGGS, etc.

- Make copies of the attached Girl Scout Trivia or call out the questions, and see how much your leaders know about Girl Scouting. Share answers with all. If time permits, have others come up with Trivia questions to test the knowledge of the others.
Answer Key
1. Juliette Low
2. Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador
3. Be Prepared
4. 1912
5. 3
6. Blue
7. February 22nd
8. Daisy
9. Halloween
10. Her pearls
Girl Scout Trivia  What do you know? Circle the correct answer

1. Who is the founder of Girl Scouts?
   Daisy Powell
   Juliette Bow
   Juliette Low
   Julie Brown

2. What are the six levels of Girl Scouts?
   Brownie, Daisy, Robin, Cadette, Senior, Delegate
   Bluebird, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior Ambassador
   Cadette, Pansy, Brownie, Junior, Senior, Ambassador
   Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador

3. What is the Girl Scout motto?
   ‘Be Prepared’
   ‘Be Ready’
   ‘Do Your Best’
   ‘Have Fun’

4. What year was the first Girl Scout troop chartered?
   1921
   1913
   1912
   1910

5. How many fingers does a girl hold up when saying the Girl Scout Promise?
   1
   4
   2
   3
6. What color uniform does a Girl Scout Daisy wear?
   Blue
   Tan
   Brown
   Green

7. On what date each year do Girl Scouts celebrate Thinking Day - a day set aside to think about Girl Scout sisters around the world?
   February 12
   February 22
   February 23
   February 21

8. What was the founder of Girl Scouts nickname?
   ‘Daisy’
   ‘Violet’
   ‘Rose’
   ‘Jewel’

9. What U.S. holiday is celebrated the same day as the founder of Girl Scouts birthday?
   Christmas
   Thanksgiving
   Valentines Day
   Halloween

10. What did Juliette Low sell to be able to keep the Girl Scout movement alive?
    Her diamonds
    Her horse
    Her pearls
    Her house