

# Girl Scouting Around the World

As a Girl Scout, you are not only a member of Girl Scouts of the USA, but also a member of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, known as WAGGS. As a WAGGS member, you are part of a sisterhood of millions of girls who share many of your Girl Scout values and traditions. This badge will help you discover the global reach of the Girl Scout community. Complete 6 of the following Activities. Have troop Leader or Parent initial each when completed:

1) **Thinking Day** (complete during meetings at Thinking Day Event 2/06)

Thinking Day falls on February 22 each year. Lord Robert Baden-Powell, the founder of Boy Scouting, and his wife, Lady Olave Baden-Powell had the same birthdays on that day, so February 22 was chosen as a time for Girl Scouts and Girl Guides to celebrate international friendship and world peace. Plan a way to celebrate Thinking Day that recognizes your Girl Scout connections to Girls around the world.

2) **WAGGGS on the Web** – complete at home or library

Check out WAGGGS Web site [www.waggggs.org](http://www.waggggs.org) to find out about the different countries that are members of WAGGGS, and the projects that are being sponsored by that organization. Share what you learned with your troop.

I'm interested in the WAGGGS country \_\_\_\_\_  
One interesting thing I found out a/bout Scouts/Guides in that country is:

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3) **Show the World** (complete at 9/23 – 10/28 meetings, some work to be done at home)

Create a display that shows how Girl Scouts are part of a world sisterhood. Exhibit your display for Girl Scouts – Our troop will display them at the Investiture/rededication ceremony on 11/4/05.

My ideas are: \_\_\_\_\_

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The materials I'll need are: \_\_\_\_\_

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4) **Younger Scouts:** complete 9/23/05-10/14/05 meeting some work to be done at home

Create a game or storybook for younger Girl Scouts that will help them understand their connection to Girl Scouts and Girls Guides around the world. Try out your game or storybook with younger scouts.

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5) **Just for Girls:** complete at home or library

Go to the "Girls Only" section of Girls Scouts of the USA's Web site [www.girlscouts.org/girls](http://www.girlscouts.org/girls) for information and activities regarding Girl Scouting around the world. Share what you learned with your troop.

How many Girl Scouts are there in the USA? \_\_\_\_\_

How many Girl Scouts/Guides are there in the world? \_\_\_\_\_

6) **Girl Scouting's Founder:** Juliette Gordon Low – Complete in meetings by 2/06

Find out about the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund.

What does this fund do? \_\_\_\_\_

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How do girls all around the world benefit from the money in the fund? \_\_\_\_\_

7) **International Expert:** Choose one Country where Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting exists. (activity completed by 2/06 at home and at meetings while preparing for Thinking Day)

Become an expert on that country and activities girl members do there. Learn a game, song, craft, recipe, or activity unique to that country and share it with others.

I learned and demonstrated: \_\_\_\_\_

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from the country of \_\_\_\_\_

The girls there are called \_\_\_\_\_

8) **World Service:** *Complete this at home*

Find out about world a world problem that affects girls your age. You could think of a problem related to the environment, hunger, poverty, illiteracy, or another issue. Share what you have researched with other girls and think of some ways girls in WAGGGS could help solve this problem.

World Problem: \_\_\_\_\_

I learned about this problem from: \_\_\_\_\_

Why is this a problem that affects the world? \_\_\_\_\_

What can girl do about this problem? \_\_\_\_\_

9) **Common Roots:** *Complete during 9/23 – 10/14 meetings and at home*

Learn about the lives of Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. Also find our how the Girl Guide movement came about. Share your information with members of your troop/group or with a Brownie Girl Scout troop.

10) **WAGGS has Four World Centers** that any Girl Scout can visit. You can find out about them online at [www.waggs.org](http://www.waggs.org). Find out the following about each of the four centers:

World Center: \_\_\_\_\_

Where is it? \_\_\_\_\_

What types of events and activities can a visitor take part in there? (list at least two)

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BONUS: What World Center is pictured on the GS Around the World Badge?