



COUNCIL QUESTS

— Josephine's Journey —
Troop 200: The Pioneers





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Building Troop 200 Leader Guide

In this activity, it is important that your Girl Scouts do not initially realize that their troops have different resources at first. Spread your groups out but allow them to be close enough to interact.

1. Begin by telling your Girl Scouts that in this exercise they will learn about what it takes to build a Girl Scout troop. Emphasize that their goal is to complete their own checklist in the time allotted. This activity is not a competition.
2. Divide the girls into two groups. Randomly choose one group to be Troop A and one to be Troop B. Before passing out materials, tell them that they will be able to come to you in a neutral location to receive any supplies they need to complete their checklist. They can also come to you with completed tasks for fundraising as necessary.
3. Pass out the handouts (checklists, resource guides, and budget sheets). As the supply bank, you will be in charge of passing out tokens to indicate each troop has passed a certain threshold (i.e. collected uniforms, meeting spaces, badges, etc.).
4. Set a timer for 20 minutes and let your Girl Scouts get to work. Let the activity be as self-directed as possible. They will be problem solving in order to complete all of their tasks. This activity was designed to be challenging for both groups, though Troop B will face significantly more obstacles.
5. As girls complete activities, they will bring you their completed components. Use the Bank Guide as a reference for how to respond to their requests – Troop A & B do not have access to the same resources. Use the ledger to keep track of how much money each group has and what badges they have completed.
6. At the end of the activity, bring both groups together to debrief. Begin by asking each group to share how much of their checklist they were able to complete. Did anyone pick up on what was going on during the activity?
7. Discuss the following:
 - How did the activity make you feel? How would you feel if you were in the other Troop?
 - Did you, Troop A, think to share resources with Troop B? Why or why not? Remind your girls that they were trying to finish the checklist, not compete with each other. Did the activity turn into a competition?
 - Troop 200 faced two sets of barriers: segregation and the lack of resources provided by Girl Scouts. What would your troop do if they could not enter the Cabin to purchase badges and uniforms? Or if they couldn't camp at Girl Scout camp? These are all real barriers faced by Troop 200.
 - Can you think of other barriers that face current or potential Girl Scouts today?

Budget

<i>Estimate Cost:</i>		<i>Estimate Income:</i>	
Handbooks	\$ _____	Cookie Sales	\$ _____
Uniforms	\$ _____	Donations	\$ _____
Meeting Space	\$ _____	Net Income	\$ _____
Camp Rental	\$ _____		
Badges	\$ _____		
Net Cost	\$ _____		



Resource Guide

Supplies

<i>Pick up at Local Council Store</i>		<i>Order from Chicago (includes shipping)</i>	
Handbooks	\$5 each	Handbooks	\$10 each
Uniforms	\$5 each	Uniforms	\$10 each
Badges	\$1 each	Badges	\$2 each

Locations

<i>TBD</i>	
Meeting Space, Girl Scout Council	Free
Meeting Space, Community Center	\$10 per meeting
Campground, Girl Scouts	Free
Campground, National Parks	\$10 per campout
Purchase land for campground	\$1,000

Fundraising

<i>*Can only be completed once</i>	
Collect dues*	\$20/girl
• <i>Collect from bank</i>	
Selling Girl Scout Cookies*	\$200
• <i>Collect from bank</i>	
Selling homemade cookies*	\$100
• <i>Create a word poem from the word "Cookie"</i>	
Ask for Donations	\$100
• <i>Create a card to request donations from friends or family. (\$10 per donation card)</i>	
Host a Lemonade Stand	\$200
• <i>Create a flyer for your lemonade stand (\$20 per flyer)</i>	

Checklist

- Before you can complete any activities, you must purchase handbooks and uniforms for your troop*.
- Secure a Meeting Space (needed for all badges except for campout badge) from bank
- Complete Cooking Badge
 - Design a three-course menu for your troop
 - Create a design for your badge and submit it to the bank. At that point, you will have to pay for badges for every member of your troop to complete this badge.
- Complete Sewing Badge
 - Design a new and improved Girl Scout uniform
 - Create a design for your badge and submit it to the bank. At that point, you will have to pay for badges for every member of your troop to complete this badge.
- Complete First Aid Badge
 - List 10 first aid skills your troop will learn
 - Create a design for your badge and submit it to the bank. At that point, you will have to pay for badges for every member of your troop to complete this badge.
- Complete Campout Badge
 - Prerequisite: Complete Cooking, Sewing, and First Aid Badges
 - Secure a space for your campout
 - List of all your necessary camping supplies
 - Create camp names for your troop members
 - Create a design for your badge and submit it to the bank. At that point, you will have to pay for badges for every member of your troop to complete this badge.

**Your Troop has five Girl Scouts.*



Bank Guide

Troop A –

- Can order supplies from the council store or order them in from Chicago
- Can use any meeting space they choose
- Can use any campground they choose
- Can sell Girl Scout cookies

Troop B –

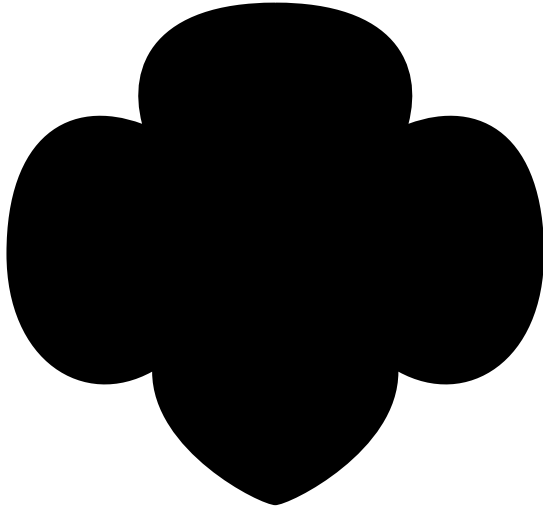
- If they try to order supplies from the Council Store, say, **“The Council Store cannot serve you. You may order supplies from Chicago for a shipping premium.”**
- If they try to reserve meeting space at the Girl Scout Council, say, **“Sorry, we do not have meeting space for you at the Girl Scout Council.”**
- If they try to reserve the Girl Scouts campground, say, **“Sorry, we do not have space for you at the Girl Scout Campground.”**
- If they try to reserve the National Parks campground, say, **“You are not permitted to camp in the National Parks.”**
- If they try to sell Girl Scout cookies, say, **“You do not have permission sell Girl Scout branded cookies.”**

Do not offer extra explanations. If they ask you a second time or ask why, simply repeat prepared statements.

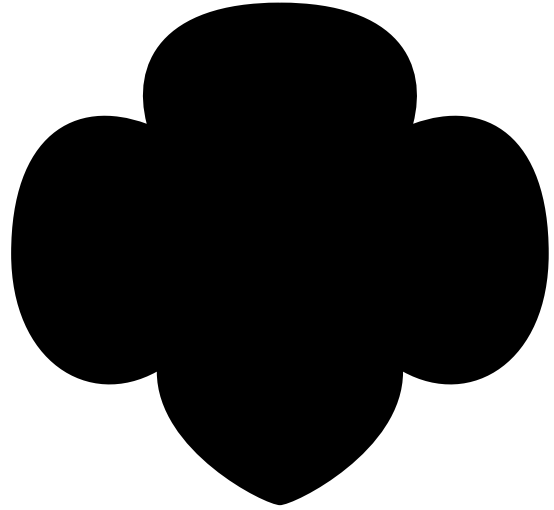
Make sure to address any conflict here during debrief later. Troops may share resources with each other if they wish, but only if they ask first.



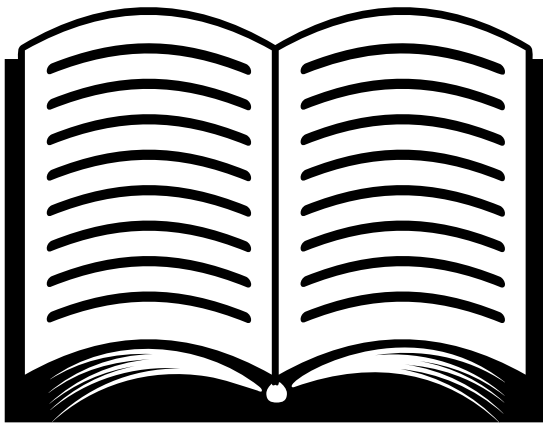
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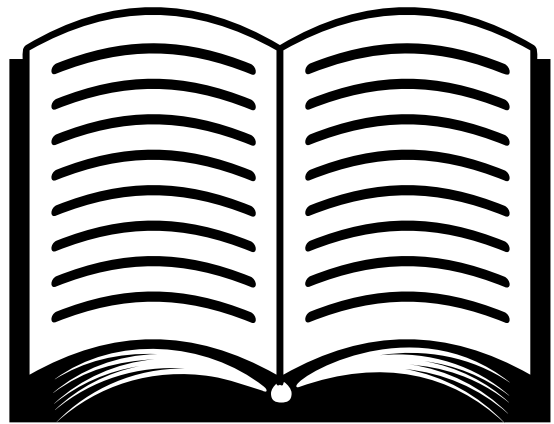
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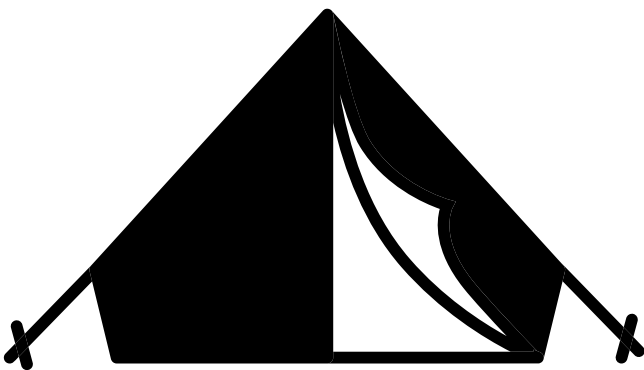
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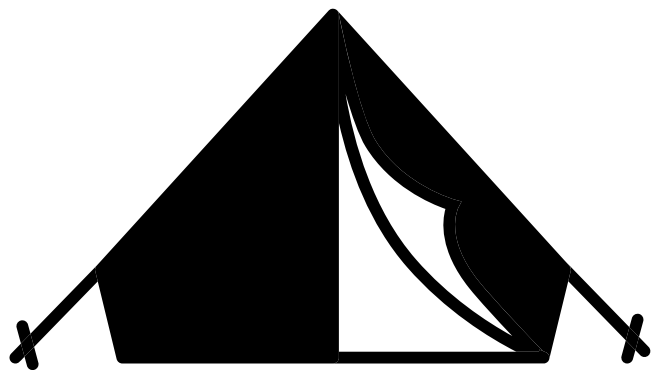
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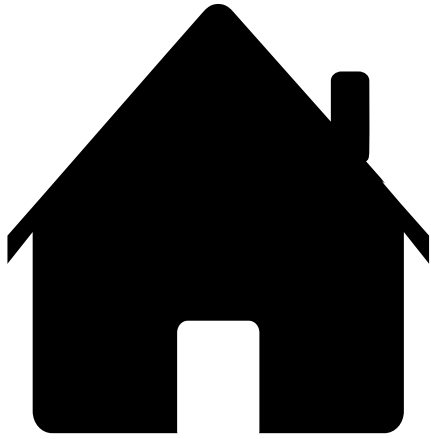
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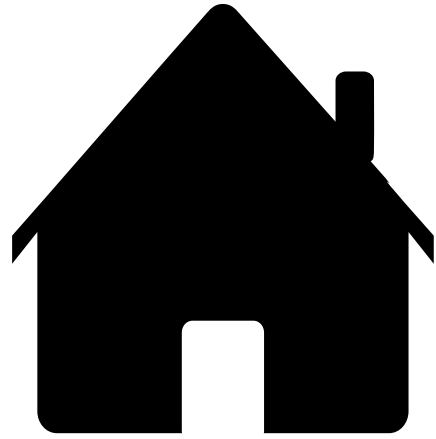
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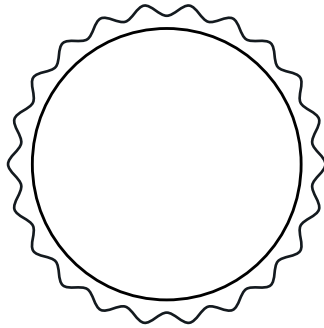
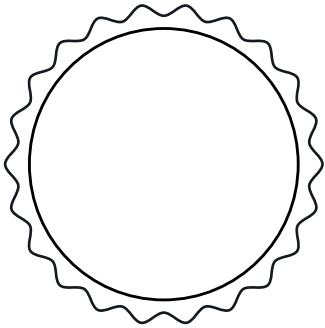
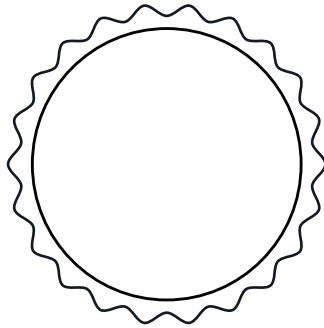
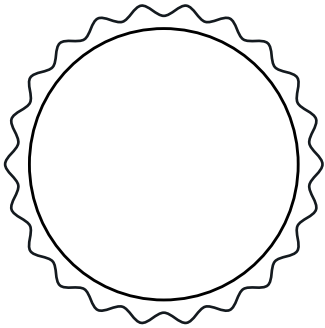
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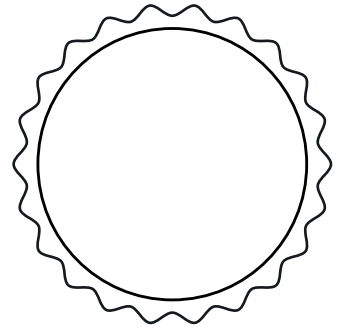
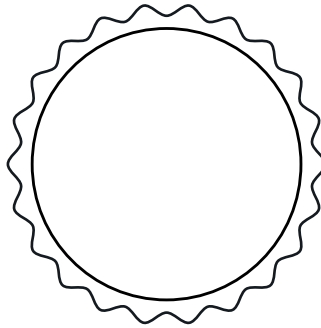
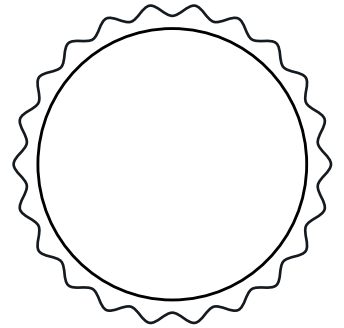
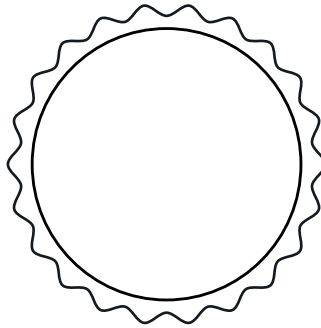
Meeting Space



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Badges



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