

GIRL SCOUT GLOSSARY

BADGE

Round embroidered award for Junior and Cadette Girl Scouts to indicate increased knowledge and skill in a particular subject.

BRIDGING

Activities designed to emphasize the continuity of the Girl Scout program, to introduce girls within each age level to what lies ahead, and to give older girls a sense of personal responsibility for younger girls.

BUDDY SYSTEM

A safety practice in which girls of equal ability are paired to help and to keep track of each other.

CLOSING

Any standard activity that signals the end of a meeting (i.e., Friendship Circle, song, etc.).

COURT OF AWARDS

A ceremony that can be held any time during the year at which badges and other awards are presented.

DUNK BAG

A netted bag used to hang washed dishes to dry in the outdoors.

FLAG CEREMONY

A Girl Scout ceremony involving not only the U.S. flag, but flags of the troop, the Council or of Girl Guide nations.

FLY UP

The ceremony in which a Brownie Girl Scout “graduates” to Junior Girl Scouts. We also call this ceremony “Bridging.”

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

A symbolic gesture in which girls form a circle by clasping each others’ hands, often used as a closing ceremony.

FRIENDSHIP SQUEEZE

A hand squeeze passed around a Friendship Circle.

GIRL AWARD SILVER AWARD

The highest award in Girl Scouting earned by a Cadette Girl Scout.

GIRL GUIDE

The original name for Girl Scouts, still used in many countries.

GIRL SCOUT SIGN

The official Girl Scout greeting. It is always used when the Promise is made or repeated. The right hand is raised shoulder high, palm forward, with the three middle fingers extended and the thumb holding down the little finger.

INVESTITURE

A special ceremony in which a new member makes her Girl Scout Promise and receives her membership pin.

JULIETTES

(Part of the Girl Scout My Way Pathway for girls.) Individual members not affiliated with a troop. All rights and principals are extended to Juliettes.

KAPER CHART

A chart that shows the delegation of jobs and rotation of responsibility day by day and/or meal by meal.

LEADER

An adult member of the organization who meets with a troop/group of girls to help it achieve the purpose of Girl Scouting, and has completed the required leadership training.

MOTTO

"Be Prepared." A motto adopted as a guiding principle for members.

PATCHES AND PINS

Supplementary insignia whose focus is participation, not prescribed requirements. These awards are sewn onto the back of a girls' vest or sash.

QUIET SIGN

A traditional technique for obtaining silence at all Girl Scout meetings, made by raising the right hand. Group members raise their hands and become quiet until complete silence is established.

SASH/VEST

A part of the Girl Scout uniform where the girl may display her Girl Scout recognitions and insignia.

SIT-UPONS

Something to sit on.

S'MORES

A favorite campfire treat consisting of graham crackers, chocolate bars and toasted marshmallows.

SWAPS

“Special Whachamacalits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere.” Small items used for trading at events.

TREFOIL

The official emblem of the Girl Scout movement in the United States of America, registered in the United States Patent Office by Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.

**WORLD ASSOCIATION OF GIRL GUIDES
AND GIRL SCOUTS (WAGGGS)**

The international organization of Girl Guide/Girl Scout associations organized in 1928.

WORLD THINKING DAY

February 22, the birthday of both Lord and Lady Baden-Powell, celebrated as the day in which Girl Guides and Girl Scouts all over the world think of each other and exchange greetings.

TALK ABOUT IT!

Book Club Discussion Questions for a Class or Troop

1. Savannah is a beautiful, historic city. Name one thing you learned about Savannah's history by reading this book. Do you like to visit places and learn about their history?
2. The characters in the mystery enjoy one of Savannah's specialties—wild Georgia shrimp. Name one reason why different locations have their own special types of food. Are you willing to try new things when you visit new places? If so, can you think of something you really liked? What about something you did not like?
3. The Girl Scouts planned a Camporee to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of their organization. 100 years is a long time! Why do you think people celebrate anniversaries?

4. The girls visited many of Savannah's historic locations in the book. What was your favorite place? Why? What place were you able to picture most vividly in your mind?
5. Avery's GPS locator came in quite handy. Do you know what "GPS" stands for? What does a GPS help you do? Have you ever used one?
6. What was the scariest part of the mystery? What was the funniest?
7. Which character did you like the most? Which character was most like you?
8. Juliette Gordon Low dealt with a handicap during her life. What was her handicap? How would you feel if you lost that sense?
9. Throughout the mystery, one character attempts to do a good turn daily. Which character did that? Do you try to do something to help another person each day?

BRING IT TO LIFE!

Book Club Activities for a Class or Scout Troop

1. Pick a famous historical figure from Savannah. Use books or the Internet to learn interesting things about that person's life. Dress up and "impersonate" your choice at your book club meeting.
2. Create a new "square" for Savannah! Make it a square honoring the Girl Scouts. Draw your square on a poster board. Add pictures or drawings of the things you would display in your square to honor the Girl Scouts!
3. Set up an acrostic poem using the word "Savannah." Challenge your book club members to use every letter in the word to write something special about the city!

4. Write the names of every character in the mystery on separate slips of paper. Fold the slips and put them in a box. Ask each book club member to select a slip of paper from the box, and pretend they are that character. Go around the room, giving everyone a chance to ask each character questions to figure out who they are. Ideas for questions are: “Are you a male or a female?” “What makes you so important to the story?” “When do you first appear in the story?”

5. Map it out! On a large map of the United States, map out the route you would take from your home state to Savannah, Georgia. List the states you would pass through. Would you rather fly there on an airplane or drive there? Would you have to cross any major mountain range? Would you have to cross the Mississippi River? Which direction would you head—north, south, east, or west?

SCAVENGER HUNT

Let's go on a Savannah Scavenger Hunt! See if you can find the items below related to the mystery and the city of Savannah, and then write the page number where you found each one. (*Teachers: You have permission to reproduce this page for your students.*)

- ___ 1. Savannah Dan
- ___ 2. Live oak trees
- ___ 3. Boulder marking Tomochichi's grave
- ___ 4. Juliette Gordon Low Birthplace
- ___ 5. Forsyth Fountain
- ___ 6. Statue of James Oglethorpe
- ___ 7. Leopold's Ice Cream
- ___ 8. Some s'mores
- ___ 9. A house with a room where
Robert E. Lee slept
- ___ 10. A cemetery where graves were
plundered by Union soldiers

GIRL SCOUTS BY GRADE LEVEL

Daisy – grades K-1

Brownie – grades 2-3

Junior – grades 4-5

Cadette – grades 6-8

Senior – grades 9-10

Ambassador – grades 11-12

FAMOUS GIRL SCOUTS

Did you know that many of today's female American leaders were once Girl Scouts? Here's a list of some famous Girl Scouts:

- ♣ **Laura Bush** (First Lady of the United States)
- ♣ **Hillary Rodham Clinton** (Secretary of State for President Obama; U.S. Senator; First Lady of the United States)
- ♣ **Nancy Reagan** (First Lady of the United States)
- ♣ **Chelsea Clinton** (daughter of President Bill Clinton)
- ♣ **Condoleezza Rice** (Secretary of State for President George W. Bush)
- ♣ **Lt. Col. Eileen Collins** (astronaut; first woman Space Shuttle Commander)
- ♣ **Sally Ride** (astronaut; first American woman in space)
- ♣ **Mae Jemison** (first African American woman in space)

- ♣ **Sandra Day O'Connor** (Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court)
- ♣ **Katie Couric** (TV journalist)
- ♣ **Danica Patrick** (race car driver)
- ♣ **Dorothy Hamill** (Olympic figure skating champion)
- ♣ **Jackie Joyner-Kersey** (Olympic track and field champion)
- ♣ **Venus Williams** (professional tennis player)
- ♣ **Taylor Swift** (singer and entertainer)
- ♣ **Mariah Carey** (singer and entertainer)
- ♣ **Abigail Breslin** (actress)
- ♣ **Dakota Fanning** (actress)
- ♣ **Carole Gist** (first African American Miss USA)
- ♣ **Vera Wang** (fashion designer)
- ♣ **Pam Fields** (founder of Mrs. Fields Cookies)

MIMI'S FAVORITE SAVANNAH PLACES TO VISIT!

- ✚ Savannah Dan's charming tours! Go to www.savannahdan.com
- ✚ Magnolia Gifts at 137 Bull Street on Wright Square is Halloween Central with their year-round Halloween Room!
- ✚ Just 4 Kids has a great toy store both on River Street and out at cool Sandfly!
- ✚ At The Paris Market on Broughton Street, you'll feel like you've entered a movie set. Be sure to go to the basement!
- ✚ Don't miss Leopold's Ice Cream on Broughton for truly homemade ice cream and special flavors for special events, like Thin Mints and Cream and Savannah Smiles for the Girl Scouts!
- ✚ Mabel Francis Potter's Cupcake Emporium near the corner of Bull and State Streets will satisfy your sweet tooth!