

The Lady Baden-Powell I Challenge



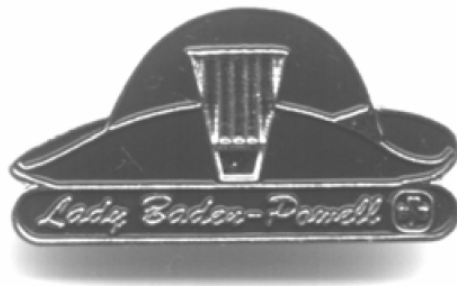
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INTRODUCTION

The Lady Baden-Powell Challenge is the highest award in the Guide Program. Completion of this challenge takes two years or more. This challenge requires your utmost effort, as well as your participation in patrol and unit activities.

The Lady Baden-Powell Challenge will show you that you are a valued member of a great organization and that you can make a difference in the world around you. This challenge is designed for girls looking for an extra challenge in Guides. It provides you with the opportunity to learn more about Girl Guides and gain a deeper understanding of the sisterhood of Guiding.

The Lady Baden-Powell Challenge is awarded in your last year of Guides. When you complete the challenge, you will receive the Lady Baden-Powell pin. It is an achievement worthy of your initiative and effort and may be worn with your Pathfinder uniform.



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THE ACTIVITIES

To earn this challenge you must complete Numbers 1 and 2, as well as four more of the activities below.

- 1) Complete all of the four program areas.
- 2) Learn about Lady Baden-Powell and prepare a skit, song, story, poster, or other activity to demonstrate what you have learned. Share it with your patrol, unit, or group of Guiding friends.
- 3) Complete a project to help your Guide unit enjoy their Guiding experience. This project should involve a regular commitment over a period of time: the effort required will vary depending on the service project. Talk to your Guider and your unit about ideas of what you would like to do. For example, create a book of active games, or prepare a Thinking Day ceremony.
- 4) Participate in a major community service project. This project is in addition to the service completed in You in Guiding. You could volunteer at a daycare center or a food bank, for instance. Other ideas are found under Service in the Resources section of the program card file.
- 5) Participate in three Pathfinder meetings.
- 6) Take part in a community activity that involved doing something for someone else. For example, shovel snow for an elderly person, help carry groceries, or entertain children so a parent can do household chores.
- 7) Share your favorite Guiding experiences over the last year with a group of friends who are not in Guiding.



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ACTIVITY ONE

Complete all four program areas.

In order to receive your Lady Baden-Powell pin you must complete all four of the program challenge areas. This challenge area badges will require a large amount of time and effort to complete, so start early! Talk to your Guider for more information and ideas on how to complete all of them.

YOU IN GUIDING



Completed: _____

Date: _____

YOU AND OTHERS



Completed: _____

Date: _____

BEYOND YOU



Completed: _____

Date: _____

DISCOVERING YOU



Completed: _____

Date: _____

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ACTIVITY TWO

Learn about Lady Baden-Powell and prepare a skit, song, story, poster, or other activity to demonstrate what you have learned. Share it with your patrol, unit, or group of Guiding friends.

In Guiding we tell lots of stories about Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. (also known as Lord and Lady BP) In this challenge it is your job to tell your Guide unit something new about Lady Baden-Powell.

Window on my Heart is an autobiography written by Lady Baden-Powell. Published in 1973, the book tells about Lady Baden-Powell's life as a small girl, how she met Lord Baden-Powell, and her experiences as Chief World Guider. It is one of the best resources you can find when you are doing this challenge. This book may be for sale in your local Guide Shop but you are not required to buy it in order to complete this challenge. Ask your Guider if your unit, District, or Area has a copy that you can borrow, or check it out at your local Library.

There are lots of other resources you can use to find out more information about Lady Baden-Powell including your local Library and the internet. Also, remember to ask your Guider for resource materials. Once you have found a story about Lady Baden-Powell that you would like to tell make it into a skit, story, poster, or any other type of activity you like to show your unit what you have learned.



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ACTIVITY THREE

Complete a project to help your Guide unit enjoy their Guiding experience. This project should involve a regular commitment over a period of time: the effort required will vary depending on the service project. Talk to your Guider and your unit about ideas of what you would like to do. For example, create a book of active games, or prepare a Thinking Day ceremony.

Everyone wants to have fun at Guides, to make new friends, and to learn new things. Your job is to show other girls some of your favorite parts about being a Guide.

Think about this:

Why do you like being a Guide?

What do you like to do during meeting nights?

How do you have fun with your unit?

Before you begin this challenge talk to your Guider about what you would like to do. Not only should your Guider always know what you are planning but she may also have some suggestions on how to achieve your goal.

Here are some project ideas:

- *Make a book of active games, crafts, campfire songs, skits, or stories*
- *Plan a Thinking Day ceremony or Guides Own*
- *Help another Guide in your unit earn a badge*
- *Plan and run an Enrollment or Advancement ceremony*



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ACTIVITY FOUR

Participate in a major community service project. This project is in addition to the service completed in You in Guiding. You could volunteer at a daycare center or a food bank, for instance. Other ideas are found under Service in the Resources section of the program card file.

Guides participate in many community service projects every year. To complete this challenge you must do one of the following:

Plan a community service project on your own

OR

Plan a community service project for your unit

Which ever one you choose you must remember to plan accordingly and **complete at least six hours of service**. If you are going to do your service project on your own you must provide documentation for your Guider. (For example, create a poster about what you have done)

When you do a service project in Guides you have the opportunity to earn a Community Service badge. Any service project you do may be considered for this badge, so talk to your Guider. Also remember to talk to your Guider about what you would like to do before you begin this challenge. Not only should your Guider always know what you are planning but she may also have some suggestions on how to achieve your goal.

Here are some service project ideas:

- *Raise money for the Canadian World Friendship Fund*
- *Do a local recycling collection or park clean-up*
- *Collect new unopened toys for children in need*
- *Send a care package overseas*
- *Participate in a tree planting project*



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ACTIVITY FIVE

Participate in three Pathfinder meetings.

Talk to your Guider about visiting your local Pathfinder unit. Record the date of your visit, the name of the Pathfinder unit you visited, and have either your Guider or the Pathfinder unit's Guider sign her name to confirm you were present at the meeting.

Don't be afraid to ask the Pathfinders questions and to get to know them when you go for your visit. Remember, they used to be Guides too! Have fun learning about how Pathfinders run their meeting night, how they decide where and when to go camping, and how they earn their badges.

Here are some questions you can ask:

- *What kinds of Pathfinder badges can you earn?*
- *Where do you like to go camping?*
- *Who decides what you get to do at a Pathfinder meeting?*
- *When do you play games?*
- *Why should I join Pathfinders?*



Date of 1st Visit: _____

Name of Unit: _____

Guider Signature: _____

Date of 2nd Visit: _____

Name of Unit: _____

Guider Signature: _____

Date of 3rd Visit: _____

Name of Unit: _____

Guider Signature: _____

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ACTIVITY SIX

Take part in a community activity that involved doing something for someone else. For example, shovel snow for an elderly person, help carry groceries, or entertain children so a parent can do household chores.

This type of service project is different than community service – it is more like a random act of kindness. A random act of kindness is a selfless act performed by kind people to either help or cheer up someone for no reason other than to make people happier. They can be either spontaneous or planned in advance. To complete this challenge, do one of the following:

Complete a service project on your own

OR

Plan a service project for your unit to complete

Which ever one you choose you must remember to plan accordingly and **complete at least six hours of service**. If you are going to do your service project on your own you must provide documentation for your Guider. (For example, give a speech explaining how you completed this challenge) Before you begin this challenge talk to your Guider about what you would like to do. Not only should your Guider always know what you are planning but she may also have some suggestions on how to achieve your goal.

Here are some random acts of kindness ideas:

- *Shovel the snow for an elderly neighbor*
- *Do extra chores for your parents*
- *Make friends with a shy person in your class*
- *Walk a dog for a family friend*
- *Show a new student around your school*
- *Write a thank you letter to someone who has helped you in the past*



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ACTIVITY SEVEN

Share your favorite Guiding experiences over the last year with a group of friends who are not in Guiding.

Every Guide has at least one friend who is not in Guiding. This friend may not be in Guides because she thinks it may be boring or she's afraid she won't fit in. To complete this challenge you need to tell your friends who are not in Guides what Guiding is all about.

Here's an idea: Why not have a Guide Party or Guide Sleepover? Talk to your Parents/Guardians and your Guider about what you would like to do. Not only should they always know what you are planning but they may also have some fun suggestions and safety rules you may need to follow.

For your party you can make invitations, decorate your house with blue decorations, and make yummy treats to get your friends into the spirit of the party. At the party do some of the fun things we do at Guides like crafts, skits, dances, or songs. Show them your Guide uniform and tell them how you earned all of your badges. Let them look through your Guide program book and answer any questions they may have about Guides. Most importantly, tell them why you like being a Guide!

Remember when you are telling your friends about Guides that *you do not have to make them join Guiding*. In order to complete this challenge all you have to do is to tell them about all the fun you have at Guides. *If your friends want to come to Guides bring them with you to the next meeting night with you to try it out.*



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RESOURCES

Looking for ideas on how to complete the Lady Baden-Powell Challenge? Check out these places online – and don't forget to talk to your Guider for even more information.

Girl Guide Links:

Girl Guides of Canada: <http://www.girlguides.ca>

Alberta Girl Guides: <http://www.albertagirlguides.ca>

The Guide Zone: <http://guidezone.e-guiding.com/indexpag.htm>

Service Projects:

Random Acts of Kindness: <http://www.actsofkindness.org/>

Ideas for Service Projects (BC Girl Guides): <http://www.bc-girlguides.org/resources/serviceprojects/media/Service-Ideas.pdf>

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