



How To Bake A Brownie (Daisy Bridging Ceremony)

This ceremony is done with a Girl Scout Brownie troop and a Girl Scout Daisy troop that is bridging to Girl Scout Brownies.

Need:

- Two tables lying on their side length-wise, with a LARGE cardboard box in the middle (try a TV dealer for this box). On the box, cut an oven door, with a handle made from cardboard or foil.
- 2 bowls, 1 large, and 1 small. flat baking pan, mixing spoon, measuring bowls, sifter, measuring spoons, and kitchen timer.

Girls from the Brownie troop do all of the motions, and fly-up girls stay behind the tables. Current Brownies are in an open horseshoe.

1st Brownie: Let's bake something.

2nd Brownie: Yes, what can we do?

3rd Brownie: I know, let's make some new Brownies!

All Brownies - Yes, Yes, Yes

4th Brownie: let's look in our Girl Scout books for the recipe (all pull out books).

5th Brownie: Here it is! To make Brownies, we must mix 4 basic ingredients – Promise and Law, Discover, Connect and Take Action.

6th Brownie: In a large bowl, cream together 1 cup of each of a promise to serve God and my country.

7th Brownie: to this mixture add 2 cups of honesty and 4 tablespoons of cheerfulness. Mix together until well blended.

8th Brownie: stir in 1 cup of thoughtfulness.

9th Brownie: beat together 1/2 c of fairness and 1/2 c of helpfulness and add to the mixture.

10th Brownie: sprinkle over the mixture 2 tablespoons full of sisterhood of Girl Scouting and mix well.

11th Brownie: add 1 c of respect for authority and 1 c of respect for myself and others. Stir until well blended.

12th Brownie: sift together 1/2 c of wise use of resources and 6 Tbs of a promise to protect and improve the world. Stir into mixture.

13th Brownie: blend together 1/2 c of each of the following: Courage , confidence and Character.

14th Brownie: spread batter into the pan and bake at a moderate temperature until done.

15th Brownie: (after timer rings) They're done! (Open the oven door and new Brownies start to crawl out of the oven.)

16th Brownie: Look!! A NEW BATCH OF BROWNIES!!!



BROWNIE BRIDGING//FLY UP

Girl Scout Brownies and leaders form a Brownie Ring at one side of the room.

A Junior troop forms a horseshoe at the other side, with open end toward the Brownies. The space between is used to symbolize the transition. (A rustic bridge, a rainbow arch of colored paper or cardboard stepping stones)

The Brownie leader presents the fly-up Brownie with her Brownie Wings and makes appropriate remarks on her achievements and wishes for the future.

The troop members say:

“Now it’s time to say good-bye. Break the ring, and out you fly.”

The ring breaks just long enough to let the girl “fly” out.

The girl crosses the bridge and at the middle of the bridge (or stones), is met by a Junior Girl Scout from the horseshoe, who escorts her to the Junior side where the Brownie is met by the Junior Leader who pins on her Girl Scout pin and Brownie Wings and gives her a Girl Scout Salute and Handshake.

The Brownies who are flying-up move within the horseshoe forming an inner horseshoe, while the Girl Scout Junior goes back into the original horseshoe.

When all the fly-ups have formed an inner horseshoe, together all girls sing, “Make New Friends.”

During the singing, fly-ups move back to form one horseshoe and then any remaining girls in the Brownie Ring and the girls in the horseshoe join hands to make one large circle.

Brownies and Juniors say the Girl Scout Promise together.

Close the ceremony by singing “Girl Scouts Together.”

JUNIOR BRIDGING CEREMONY



Flag Ceremony

Girl Scout Promise

Girl Scout Law

Junior Girl Scout Leader recognizes and presents each Junior Girl Scout advancing into Cadettes with a small gift or token.

(After the Junior Girl Scouts are presented with their gifts.)

Cadette Leader says:

In this, the year of “growing up” new obligations must be met.
You’re ready now to cross the bridge and soon you’ll be a Cadette.
You make the same promise, but new plans will be made.
Your uniform changes and you’ll be glad you stayed.

Then all Cadette Girl Scouts read:

C – stands for a CHALLENGE, CHEERFULNESS and CARE

A – means you’re ALWAYS ready to share

D – means DOING a good turn each day

E – is for ENTHUSIASM you’ll have along the way

T – means be THRIFTY, be THANKFUL, and stand TALL

T – means be TRUTHFUL, and be TRUSTWORTHY above all

E – stands for EVERY little thing you do

But more than all these – to your own self be true!

Cadette Leader greets each new Cadette Girl Scout with the Girl Scout handshake and sign.

Ceremony may end with singing “Taps” or any song appropriate for closing.

Note:

Presentation of Junior Girl Scout Journey awards, badges and patches along with the membership year star (Court of Awards) can be held on a separate occasion prior to the Bridging Ceremony, or on the same day, immediately before the bridging takes place.

Multi-Level Bridging Ceremony (Daisy, Brownie & Juniors)



Need: Stepping stones

As the Girl Scout Daisies step over the stepping stones, the Leader says:

Stepping stones are for you Daisies,
Cross them while you sing.
Your Daisy days are over now,
Come and join our Brownie ring.

Girls now join the Brownie ring, where they repeat the Girl Scout Promise and are pinned by a sister Girl Scout or the Leader, who says:

When you were a very young girl
You wore Girl Scout Daisy blue,
You learned the joy of singing
With Daisy friends so true.
But now that you are older
You'll be trying something new,
You'll bring along your happy smile
To Brownies we welcome you.

The Brownies are in the Brownie Circle and the Brownies who will be bridging are in the middle. The Leader says:

Now is the time to say good-bye.
Break the ring and away you'll fly.

The bridging Brownies then cross over the Bridge to Juniors. They repeat the Promise and are pinned by a sister Girl Scout or the Leader, who says:

When you were a young girl
You learned many things
Now you are ready for new adventures
As Juniors, your leadership takes wing.

Juniors cross over the Bridge to Cadettes. They repeat the Promise and are pinned by a sister Girl Scout or the Leader, who says:

When you were a young girl your adventure did start
Journeys and badges, with service from the heart.
Now you come to Cadettes ready to soar
Community and Leadership are at the very core.

A Leader reads to all:

When I hear of young girls, who haven't been a Girl Scout
I think of all the wonders that she has never seen.
We've watched you girls grow, and marveled at the sight,
Your caring, talents and abilities and using them just right.

Repeat the Girl Scout Promise. Close by the Color Guard retiring the flags.



Bridge to Senior Girl Scouts Ceremony (for Bridging Cadettes)

Cadettes should be in a horseshoe on one side of the bridge, and a Senior or Seniors on the other side of the bridge. After the Cadettes cross the bridge and are met and given the Girl Scout handshake by the Senior Scout(s), they should then form a horseshoe with the Senior(s).

Leader: "When you are a Senior Scout, your life is filled with action. In addition to group activities, Seniors have many individual opportunities coming their way. You can take part in special events and activities planned by older girls. You can be a National delegate or a member of the Council board and help plan council activities. You can take trips (National and International) with our council or as part of GSUSA. And you can now begin work on the Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouts. We invite you to get involved!"

Need eight white candles in holders. New Seniors may alternate lighting candles and saying the parts of the following pledge:

I pledge as a Senior Scout to:

1. Uphold the highest ideals of womanhood as expressed in the Promise and Law
2. Be thoughtful and considerate and assume my share of responsibility in the activities of my troop
3. Be a better citizen of my community and prepare myself for the duties and responsibilities of adult citizenship in a democracy
4. Realize my deep commitment to volunteer my services wherever and whenever needed
5. Keep myself healthy and the world around me as safe as I can make it
6. Seek new knowledge and the skill to use it
7. Increase my knowledge and understanding of the peoples of the world toward the goal of peace
8. Prepare myself for the future

Return to horseshoe.

Leader: As you begin your Senior journey to the Gold Award - we give you a gold key to help you unlock the doors to leadership: Discover, Connect, and Take Action. Keys have quite a history. They were first used back in Biblical times. They were quite large and made of wood; they were carried as a sign of prestige. We hope that you will carry your key as proudly as the first keys were carried - and that this key will open many doors and worlds in your Senior years of Scouting. Welcome to Senior Scouts.

Senior



Bridge to Ambassador For Girl Scout Seniors

Setting: The room is dark, except for 13 lit candles.

Leader says, "We know our Promise and our Law. We have recited it many times over the years. We may have questioned its importance in our life or have forgotten its value."

"But what would the world be like if we each stopped serving God and our country?" Blow out one candle.

"What would the world be like if we each stopped helping people in need?" Blow out more one candle.

"What would the world be like if we each stopped living by the Girl Scout Law?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we chose to be dishonest and unfair to others?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we were unfriendly and did not help those in need?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we were inconsiderate and didn't care about anyone but ourselves?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we chose to be fearful and weak?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we chose to not take responsibility for what we say and do?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we chose to have no respect for ourselves or others?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we chose to disregard all authority?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we used up all our resources?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we didn't try to make the world a better place?" Blow out one more candle.

"What would the world be like if we were not a sister to every Girl Scout?" Blow out one more candle.

"If we choose this path, our world becomes very dark." Pause

Allow the girls to re-light each candle while they say their part of the Promise and Law:

"I make a commitment to help people at all times". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to live by the Girl Scout Law". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to be honest and fair". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to be friendly and helpful". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to be considerate and caring". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to be courageous and strong". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to be responsible for what I say and do". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to respect myself and others". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to respect authority". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to use resources wisely". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to make the world a better place". Re-light another candle.

"I make a commitment to be a sister to every Girl Scout". Re-light another candle.

Leader: Now our world becomes a brighter and more hopeful place because you represent the Girl Scout Law as Ambassadors. Your sisters in Girl Scouting can look to you for inspiration and as much dedication as you have had.



Ceremonies for Bridging Ambassadors to Adult Girl Scouts

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Ambassador Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony

Leader: In the Girl Scout Program we have goals for the ways in which we hope each girl will grow through her Girl Scout experience. We hope that she will:

4 girls, each says one:

1. Have a deepening awareness of herself as a unique person.
2. Learn to get along with others with increasing skill, maturity, and satisfaction.
3. Develop values that give meaning and direction to her life.
4. Contribute to the betterment of her community through the use of her own talents and in cooperation with others.

Poem for 1--3 girls (by Joan McEniry):

We are the present... and the future too.
We turned our eyes to you to point the way.
We learned to walk, ourselves, against the day
When you no longer lead us by the hand.

You taught us the meaning we need
For, soon, there will be those
Whom we must lead
In ways which you have shown.
And, having taught us,
Show us that you are not afraid for us to walk alone.

You taught us to reach for the stars.
To gather to ourselves the dreams
That beckoned once to you.
You taught us those things that we must know
To make your dream, our dream come true!

Leader:

You've been Ambassador Girl Scouts
And how you've matured.
You've learned, grown, and shared
And shown how much you truly care.
We will miss you, our sister Girl Scouts,
And hope you continue as Adult Girl Scouts.