

Junior Girl Scout Badges
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Adventures in Girl Scouting

BUSINESS WISE:

Do you have what it takes to start and run a business? Ask the “Girlboss” at Blue Willow Bookshop. We’ll cover...

- 1) Discuss what YOU could do to start earning money
- 2) Listen as Valerie talks about running the bookshop and how she earned money as a girl
- 3) Talk about the Pros and Cons of working for yourself
- 4) Think about starting your own business... what would it be?
- 5) Discuss finances, spending, and profit for your business
- 6) We will discuss the banking aspect of your own business

Using several wonderful resources, BETTER THAN A LEMONADE STAND and MONEY MAKERS, we can all have fun and make money too!

Create and Invent

BOOKS:

What a perfect place to earn this badge. Share your favorite books, meet the author, and more. We’ll cover...

- 1) Read a poem or short story from another country and share what we have learned
- 2) Read a children’s picture book and then make our own
- 3) Add illustrations to your picture book for younger audiences
- 4) Discuss places to go to read to young children or the elderly
- 5) Look around the store, pick a book you have read and write a review about it. The store will put it on our shelves for other customers to see.
- 6) Listen as the staff discusses careers in the book field, or meet an author

We’ll have “stacks” of ideas to encourage the love of reading for every girl who comes.

WRITE ALL ABOUT IT:

With all the importance being stressed on writing for students today, sometimes it’s good to just write for fun. No grade, no tears! Start a story with some sparklers and see what happens. We’ll cover...

- 1) Using three different story starts, let’s create the beginning of a new tale
- 2) Memoirs are important, write down an important memory you have or a funny story from YOUR life

- 3) Discuss “How to” writing, pick something and explain how to do it, share some with whole troop
 - 4) Discuss fiction writing, what it entails, and then lets try it out
 - 5) Throw nouns, adjectives, or verbs out and we will put them in a mad-lib, share the story out loud for loads of laughs
 - 6) Discuss a day in the life or a writer, schedule your meeting at the perfect time and maybe an author will be present
 - 7) Look at poetry, and we will try some of our own with our names
- We are always looking for the next “J.K. Rowling” in the making. Get excited as we discover, learn, and laugh our way through the writing experience.

Author Visits

Author visits to our shop fulfill several requirements for many of the different badges that we offer. It is a wonderful experience to share with your Girl Scout Troop. To meet a “real” author and listen to their stories is something most girls will always remember. Talk to the staff at Blue Willow Bookshop to schedule your meeting with an author visit. As a store these are the “celebrities” that we encourage and push kids to admire.