

# DAISY TALK IT UP LEAF

**Leaf Purpose:** When girls have earned this leaf, they'll know how to best use their cookie money to help others.

**Activity Plan Length:** 1.5 hours

Time	Activity	Materials Needed
15 minutes	<b>Getting Started</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls recite the Girl Scout Promise + Law and sing the Girl Scout Daisy song.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> (Optional) Girl Scout Promise and Law poster <input type="checkbox"/> (Optional) Girl Scout Daisy song lyrics poster
15 minutes	<b>Helping Others</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls will talk about the importance of helping others.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Children's book about people or characters helping others <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy snack
30 minutes	<b>Helping Daisy Banner</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls will decide on different ways to spend their cookie money.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Banner triangle (2 or three for each girl) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayons, markers, and/or colored pencils <input type="checkbox"/> (Optional) Glitter or other decoration materials <input type="checkbox"/> Glue <input type="checkbox"/> Hole punch <input type="checkbox"/> String or ribbon
15 minutes	<b>Be a Daisy Top Seller!</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Girls will learn about different sale rewards.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Current Cookie Program reward materials <input type="checkbox"/> Information about cookie proceeds
15 minutes	<b>Wrapping Up</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> (Optional) Make New Friends song lyrics poster

## Getting Started

Time: 15 minutes

**Materials Needed:** (Optional) Girl Scout Promise and Law poster, (optional) Girl Scout Daisy song lyrics poster

Welcome everyone to the meeting, recite the Girl Scout Promise and Law, and sing the Girl Scout Daisy song.



## Activity #1: Helping Others

Time: 15 minutes

Leaf Connection: Step 2—Talk about how to use cookie money to help others.

Materials Needed: Children's book about people or characters helping others, healthy snack

Prep Needed:

- There's no allotted snack time in this activity plan. Consider serving snack while you're reading the book to the girls, or while the girls look as the cookie rewards for this year.
1. Read a book about helping others to the girls.
  2. Have a group discussion about the story. Ask girls questions based on the story you read. A few example questions are listed below:
    - How did the characters help others in the story?
    - Why is it important to help others?
    - How can you help others?

Book Suggestions:

- *A Castle on Viola Street* by Dyanne DiSalvo
- *The Mitten Tree* by Candace Christiansen
- *A Chair for My Mother* by Vera B. Williams
- *A Sick Day For Amos McGee* by Philip C. Stead and Erin E. Stead
- *Last Stop on Market Street* by Matt de la Pena

## Activity #2: Helping Daisy Banner

Time: 30 minutes

Leaf Connection: Step 1—Decide how to use your cookie money; Step 2—Talk about how to use cookie money to help others

Materials Needed: Banner triangle (2 to 3 for each girl); crayons, markers, and/or colored pencils; (optional) glitter or other decoration materials; glue; hole punch; string or ribbon

Prep Needed:

- Gather materials and supplies.
  - Cut out 2 to 3 banner triangles for each girl
1. With the girls, discuss some possible options for helping others in the community with the troop cookie money that they will earn. Some ideas include: donating to charity, using the money for troop activities, etc. Write the list down on a sheet of paper. (If able, write ideas so all girls can see them.)
  2. Hand out 2 to 3 triangles to each girl and let them know that they will be creating a banner of things that they can do with the troop cookie money. Explain that at least one triangle needs to be about making the world a better place. The others can be fun activities.
  3. Have girls draw a picture of their ideas on their triangles, making sure that the smaller side of the triangle is the top. You might need to help the girls with writing a few words to describe their pictures.
  4. Once the girls are finished, punch holes in the two angles of the small side of the triangle.
  5. String together the banner triangles for the girls and hang up to display.
  6. If there's time, ask the girls to share with the group what their triangles represent.

NOTE: An adaptation of this activity could be for the girls to make their own banners to take home to provide motivation through the cookie sale.

## Activity #3: Be a Daisy Top Seller!

Time: 15 minutes

Leaf Connection: Step 3—Inspire your customers

Materials Needed: Information about cookie proceeds



Prep Needed:

- Look at the current Cookie Program materials for information about how cookie proceeds are distributed. (See “How the Cookie Crumbles” to figure out where proceeds from the cookie sale go.) For additional assistance, contact your troop cookie manager or service unit cookie manager.
1. Now that girls have discussed how they can help others, have them identify what activity or activities they would like to do as a group with their cookie proceeds. Share with them how the proceeds from cookie sales are used and explain how much the troop will earn for each box of cookies sold.
  2. Once girls have decided what to do with their cookie proceeds, explain that this is something they can and should share with their customers. People like to know where their money goes.
  3. Have girls pair up and take turns role-playing the cookie seller and the customer. Give girls an example of what they can say to customers.
    - “Hi, I’m a Girl Scout Daisy and I’m selling cookies to help benefit our local animal shelter. Will you help me reach my goal by buying some cookies?”

## Wrapping Up

Time: 15 minutes

Materials Needed: (Optional) Make New Friends song lyrics poster

Close the meeting by singing Make New Friends and doing a friendship circle.

## More to Explore

- Field Trip Ideas
  - Visit a local charity or non-profit business to discuss how the troop can help another organization.
- Speaker Ideas:
  - Invite older Girl Scouts to join the meeting and help girls role-play selling cookies.



