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# Meeting Outline and Log for Junior Girl Scout Troop # \_\_\_\_ Meeting # 1

Adults conducting \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting date \_\_\_\_\_

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Meeting Location \_\_\_\_\_

## Before the Meeting Preparation:

Make an eight-inch circle out of construction paper for each girl expected to be present for the first meeting plus five extras to accommodate unexpected girls and adults. Laminate the spots with contact paper so they can be used during future meetings.

To play Switch Tag, each player except one receives a spot on which to stand. Players scatter around the play area. The game commences with girls asking each other if they wish to switch places. Once an affirmative answer is given a girl is committed to make the switch. She must get to her new spot before the girl without a spot gets there. If she doesn't she must attempt to get to the next free spot before another girl claims it. A girl may go only to the spot of the individual with which she is switching and not the nearest spot to her! Game continues until time is called.

## Goal: Developing Values

## Supplies and Equipment

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### Pre-Meeting Activity - approximately 10 minutes

The first 4 girls arriving at the meeting form the color guard for the opening flag ceremony. Provide them with instructions and one adult to assist with the practice. Next two girls are given the Promise to read for introduction during the Opening Ceremony. Reminder to girls playing Switch Tag - girls add spots as they arrive to the game. One adult explains game and plays with the girls.

Instruction card for Flag Ceremony, American Flag and Troop/Girl Scout Flag if available. Instruction card with Girl Scout Promise  
Throw down spots - one per girl

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### Opening Activity - approximately 5 minutes

Girls use their spots to form a horseshoe (they stand on them once the horseshoe is formed). Open with the flag ceremony. The two girls with the instruction card recite the Girl Scout Promise. Girls who know the Promise say it with them. Girls introduce themselves saying their name and something they like which begins with the same letter as their first name.

Throw down spots, flag(s)

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### Business & Snack - approximately 25 minutes

Divide troop into three small groups (defined as patrols). Have each patrol select a recorder and generate a list of activities girls would like to do this upcoming year. Refer girls to their handbook and *Junior Girl Scouts Badge Book* whenever possible. **During the brainstorming session remember everything counts.** Put all three lists side-by-side and have girls work together to identify duplicate activities. **Duplicate activities indicate high interest on the part of the troop members.** Place these activities high on the list of activities to be completed this year. Determine the approximate time for the completion of the various activities and place on the blank calendar page. **Factors to be considered include cost of activity, preliminary activities to be completed, and amount of time for arrangements to be made.** The more complex activities will require more planning time and should occur later in the Girl Scout year.

Large pieces of paper, masking tape and markers

Large piece of paper divided into 12 squares and labeled with the 12 months of the year.

Copies of the Junior Girl Scout program resources

Hint: Let girls be the recorders!

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### Main Activity - approximately 55 minutes

Play a variety of games such as Elbow Tag, Skin-the-Snake, and Electric Fence (in back section of this packet) . Use the last 10 minutes of the session to discuss why the games were fun, challenging and successful. How did girls support each other to get over the fence in Electric Fence, what was the challenge during Skin-the-Snake and what conflicts came up during Elbow Tag and how did the girls resolve them?

Length of rope  
Attachment, *First Meeting—Games*

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### Clean-Up - approximately 10 minutes

Clean-up includes resetting the room the way it was found, putting the flags away, and picking up the papers the girls created. Assign one task to each patrol created during the business section of the meeting.

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### Closing Activity - approximately 5 minutes

Friendship Circle - invite girls to join together in a circle. Cross hands right over the left and grasp the hands of neighbors on either side. Remind girls to bring their handbooks to the next meeting. Go around the circle asking girls to share one thing that they found fun about today's meeting. When everyone who wishes to share is finished, say "Good Bye Girl Scouts" and twist out of the circle by ducking under the crossed arms and turn to face the opposite direction.



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**NOTES ON THE MEETING:**

**Meeting # 1**

**Notable successes:**

**Difficulties encountered and actions taken:**

**Awards activities begun/completed:**

**What is happening with the girls (interactions, individual behaviors, etc.):**

**What arrangements or supplies are required for next meeting based on decisions made during this meeting:**

It is important that girls bring the *Junior Girl Scout Handbook* and *Junior Girl Scout Badge Book* to the next meeting. If girls do not have the program resources, make arrangements to borrow books from your Neighborhood library.

Design an "Interview Scrabble" sheet for Meeting 2. Create 5-6 questions for the activity (favorite color, favorite hobby, etc.). Use your knowledge of the girls based on Meeting 1's activity planning to develop the questions.