

Dear Girl Scout Cadette,



Just as you are *Breathe*-ing your way through a journey about air—your own and everyone else’s, you’ve got some (actually around 800,000) little sisters who are on a journey about water—theirs—and everyone else’s!

You’ve got air and the Brownies have water! And, of course, both are essential to life—and both are quite wondrous and awe-inspiring when you stop and appreciate them!

So, earn yourself the LiA (Leader in Action) badge by sharing some of your savvy for Earth (not to mention all of your other flairs) with a team of Brownies in your community.

Here’s how:

1. Identify a team of Girl Scout Brownies on (or about to be on) their *WOW! Wonders of Water* journey. Or find a team that recently completed *WOW!* Ask your Girl Scout council for tips on how to locate a Brownie team.

2. Talk to the volunteer guiding the Brownies and find out what the team is doing, what the Brownies enjoy, and what the volunteer finds challenging. Take a look at the Brownie *WOW!* book and flip through the adult book, too!

Now the fun begins!

3. Arrange to be at some of the Brownie Team’s gatherings, coordinating the schedule with the volunteers so you’ll have time to do each of these:

Guide the Brownies through a fun activity that teaches them something about Earth’s air or water or both! You can adapt an activity from your journey for younger girls, check out some of the options in the *WOW!* girls’ book and volunteer books, or create an activity of your own. A magical science experiment? Making rainbows? Making and flying a kite? Enjoy the sounds of nature? Scenty stuff? A game you invent about animals that inhabit water and sky? Or perhaps you and some friends can act out a scene from “A Very Wet ELF Adventure” or even make a short puppet show based on the story. Better yet, guide the Brownies to do their own!

Date accomplished _____

- Inspire the Brownies to try a new healthy habit—a watery treat (check out the ideas in the *WOW!* book), some fun cardio or yoga exercises, or a fruit or veggie grown with local water (and air!). Check with the Brownie's volunteer about food allergies before you plan any snacks. Your goal is to get the Brownies thinking about how what is good for us is often good for Earth, too!
Date accomplished _____
- Engage the Brownies in a short activity that gets them thinking about what great teamwork looks like. Maybe you know a game or maybe you can invent one that gets the Brownies cooperating. If not, get some ideas from other Girl Scouts in your area. Teach the game as an opening or closing or an energizing break. While the Brownies are exploring the Wonders of Water, they are also practicing another WOW—Ways of Working. Your goal is to get the Brownies practicing some really great WOWs!
Date accomplished _____
- Share with the Brownies a line from the Girl Scout Law that you are trying to live out in your life right now. Tell them what you are doing to bring that line to life. Then, ask them to tell you about a line they are living out!
Date accomplished _____

4. After you've completed your mission with the Brownies, ask the volunteer for input on what you did. What was great? What might you want to do a little differently in the future?

5. Now that you've enjoyed some time inspiring Brownies, think about and answer these questions:

- What did you **Discover** within yourself as you guided Brownies?
- Why it is important to **Connect** with younger girls?
- What did you accomplish on behalf of the Earth by **Taking Action** to educate and inspire Brownies?

CONGRATULATIONS! Wear your LiA with pride!