

# **Junior Girl Scout Your Outdoor Surroundings Merit Badge**

Acorn Naturalists specializes in resources that encourage and enhance Girl Scout outdoor adventures, activities, skills, crafts, patch and award programs. Girl Scouts and outdoor education and service leaders are encouraged to visit our online and physical store, each filled with activities that supplement Girl Scout programs. We offer a wide selection of literature and lore on Girl Scout camping, nature crafts, patch and award programs.

The resources listed below can easily be found on the Acorn Naturalists website. When visiting [acornnaturalists.com](http://acornnaturalists.com) simply type in all or part of resource name into the search field located on every web page. You can then easily order online using our secure order form, or simply call us directly at (800) 422-8886. If you are in the area, visit us in person at our store (155 El Camino Real, Tustin, California 92780), or call to request our 200 page print catalog describing over 8000 hands-on education resources. We look forward to helping Girl Scouts achieve a high level of adventure, education and outdoor learning while developing valuable skills and, of course, having a lot of fun.

This resource list has been developed by educators familiar with Girl Scout handbook, merit badge and award requirements, and is offered to enhance and enrich Girl Scout education activities described in those resources. Specific learning resources should be selected based on local environments and interests as they complement official Girl Scout programs, projects, patches, awards and activities.

## **Activity 1 – What Would I Need If...**

Camp Out! (#B-16079)

## **Activity 2 - Pack It Up**

Camp Out! (#B-16079)

Clever Catch Ball: First Aid (#G-15372)

Don't Get Bitten (#B-12109)

Don't Get Eaten (#B-51018)

Don't Get Sick (#B-12110)

Northwood's First Aid Guide (#T-13176)

Outdoor Survival Skills (#EE-10037)

Pocket Naturalist Guide to Emergency First Aid (#FG-12249)

Pocket Naturalist Guide to Wilderness Survival (#FG-12278)

Primitive Technology, a Book of Earth Skills (#B-8092)

Survival Skills of the North American Indians (#NAT-8093)

Wilderness Survival Knowledge Cards (#G-50814)

## **Activity 4- To Protect the Environment**

An Inconvenient Truth (#EE-15275) Book and (#DVD-15736) DVD  
Clever Catch Ball: Alternative Energy (#G-15108)  
Clever Catch Ball: Recycling (#G-15115)  
Consider the Earth, Environmental Activity for Grades 4-8 (#EE-8033)  
Earth-opoly (#G-16676)  
Eco-Quiz, How Much do You Know about Shrinking Your Ecological Footprint? (#G-16300)  
Fostering Sustainable Behavior (#EE-8025)  
Generation Fix, Young Ideas for a Better World (#EE-13020)  
Kids Taking Action (#EE-12016)  
My Big World of Wonder (#B-13083)  
Nature-Friendly Communities (#EE-15286)  
New Tools for Environmental Protection: Education, Information and Voluntary Measures (#EE-12114)  
One Makes the Difference, Inspiring Actions that Change Our World (#EE-10611)  
Paper or Plastic (#B-16106)  
Planet Patrol, a Kid's Action Guide to Earth Care (#EE-14086)  
Rangers for the Earth (#EE-15351)  
Save the Planet Knowledge Cards (#G-51741)  
Taking Action (#EE-4003)  
Teen Guide to Global Action (#B-16100)  
The Consumer's Guide to Effective Environmental Choices (#EE-11021)  
The Green Book, the Everyday Guide to Saving the Planet One Simple Step at a Time (#EE-16113)  
True Green, 100 Everyday Ways You Can Contribute to a Healthier Planet (#EE-16111)  
Water Stewardship, a 30-Day Program to Protect & Conserve Our Water Resources (#WTR-16678)  
What Can I Do, an Alphabet of Learning (#B-13192)

## **Activity 5- An Outdoor Hobby**

Go Outside! Over 130 Activities for Outdoor Adventures (#EE-11050)  
Introducing Your Kids to the Outdoors (#EE-52325)

### **Orienteering**

ABC's of Compass and Map DVD (#DVD-15203)  
Advanced Outdoor Navigation (#B-16118)  
Basic Essentials of Map and Compass (#B-122)  
Be an Expert with Map and Compass (#B-13140)  
Brunton Basic Compass (#T-3037)  
Brunton Intermediate Compass (#T-7107)  
Brunton Advanced Compass (#T-7108)  
Compass and Map Navigator, the Complete Guide to Staying Found (#B-9492)  
Compass Instructor's Kit (#T-9507) and Half Kit (#T-9491)  
How to Teach with Topographic Maps (#B-3039)  
Land Navigation Handbook (#B-14551)  
Orienteering and Map Games for Teachers (#B-7107)  
Staying Found, the Complete Map and Compass Handbook (#B-3035)

### **Outdoor Photography**

Nature Photography Knowledge Cards: How to take Great Pictures in the Great Outdoors (#G-50811)  
Watching Wildlife, Tips, Gear and Great Places for Enjoying America's Wild Creatures (#EE-4036)

## **Bird Watching**

Acorn Naturalists Field Binocular (#T-13000)  
All about Birds Field Identification Guide (#BIRD-10323)  
Bird Watcher (#BIRD-13280)  
Compact Folding Binocular (#T-11112)  
Compact Pocket Scope (#T-15283)  
Compact Professional Quality Binocular (#T-13222)  
Finding Your Wings {Workbook for Beginning Watchers, Peterson} (#BIRD-16324)  
Get Outdoors! Birding Field Pack (#KIT-16126)  
High Power Close-Focus Monocular (#T-13768)  
Songs of Wild Birds (#BIRD-15272)  
Take a Backyard Bird Walk (#BIRD-11253)  
The Great North American Bird Watching Trivia Game (#G-51296)  
What's that Bird? Getting to Know the Birds around You Coast to Coast (#BIRD-14377)  
Zoom Binocular (#T-12083)

## **Hiking**

101 Hikes in Southern California {In Store} (#STO-52378)  
Afoot & Afield in La County (#STO-50565), and Orange County (#STO-50563) {In Store}  
Afoot & Afield in San Diego County {In Store} (#STO-50564)  
Best Easy Day Hikes in Orange County {In Store} (#STO-51607)  
Best Old Growth Forest Hikes {In Store} (#STO-51321)  
Best Short Hikes in the Northern Sierra {In Store} (#STO-51317)  
Day Hiker's Guide to Southern California {In Store} (#STO-50711)  
Day Hikes around Los Angeles {In Store} (#STO-50710)  
Desert Gem Trails (#STO-51627)  
Gem Trails Regional Books {In Store}  
Haunted Hikes {In Store} (#STO-55243)  
Hiker's Guide to California Native Places {In Store} (#STO-50717)  
Let's Explore the Desert Family Go Guide! (#B-10042)  
New Day Hiker's Guide to Southern California {In Store} (#STO-51795)  
San Bernardino Mountain Trails, 100 Hikes in Southern California {In Store} (#STO-50719)  
Top Trails of Los Angeles {In Store} (#STO-51652)  
Trail Runs of San Diego County {In Store} (#STO-50725)  
Trails of the Angeles {In Store} (#STO-50722)  
Walking Sticks {In Store}  
Wild L.A.: Day Hiker's Guide {In Store} (#STO-51094)

## **Geocaching and Letterboxing**

Essential Guide to Geocaching (#B-16112)  
Geocaching Handbook (#B-16114)  
It's a Treasure Hunt, Geocaching and Letterboxing (#B-16116)

## **Activity 7 - An Outdoor Career**

Environmental Careers in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (#EE-8040)  
Opportunities in Environmental Careers (#EE-11035)  
Outdoor Careers, Exploring Occupations in the Outdoor Fields (#EE-8041)

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Trail and Classroom<sup>©</sup>**

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