



Ambassador Badge in a Box

My Financial Independence

Overview for Leaders	<p>In Fall 2022, GSUSA introduced a new sequence of financial literacy badges. There are two badges for each level. One of the badge names begins with the word 'My'; that badge is intended to be completed first. (Of course, you can do the badges in any order you wish.)</p> <p>Through the generous support of Summit Credit Union, badge-in-a-box kits have been created for the 'My' financial literacy badges for every level.</p> <p>The activities in the kit are aligned to the meeting plans found in the VTK. At least one activity is offered for each required step; occasionally, there will be more than one choice for a step or an additional, optional activity that does not directly align with a specific requirement.</p> <p>It is recommended that leaders read through the meeting plans in the VTK when checking out these kits so that they have a baseline knowledge of the badge and its activities.</p> <p>These kits are designed to allow a leader to conduct a meeting with less planning, less effort, and less cost.</p> <p>If any preparation steps are needed prior to the meeting, those are mentioned specifically below.</p> <p>Materials are designed so that 12 Girl Scouts can do the activity at a time.</p> <p>Please be a sister to the next troop when using these materials. Put them away in the same manner as you received them and report any broken/missing items when returning the box to Badgerland. Also, please alert Badgerland staff if a consumable is about to run out.</p>
Outcomes	<p>Overall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong sense of self: Girls have confidence in themselves and their abilities, and form positive identities. • Positive values: Girls act ethically, honestly, and responsibly, and show concern for others. • Challenge seeking: Girls take appropriate risks, try things even if they might fail, and learn from their mistakes.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each team will need internet access via phone or computer
Step 2: Plan for expense spending Option 1: Look at your current spending habits	<p>Refer to the VTK for the activity details. Also, the activity details are printed and included in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>The badge pamphlet is also in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Little notebooks/journals (1 per girl.). (provided) Leaders' binder with Badge requirements and activity guide from VTK (provided)
Step 2: Plan for expense spending Option 2: Create a future budget	<p>Refer to the VTK for the activity details. Also, the activity details are printed and included in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>The badge pamphlet is also in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> College living budget worksheet; 1 per girl. (provided) Pencils (provided) Leaders' binder with Badge requirements and activity guide from VTK (provided)
Step 3: Explore how to build wealth Option 1: Create an investment model	<p>Refer to the VTK for the activity details. Also, the activity details are printed and included in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>The badge pamphlet is also in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pencils (provided) 12 calculators. (provided) Rule of 72 handout; 15 laminated. (provided) and additional quantities of flyer that a Girl Scout can take home if choose. Rule of 72 step by step presentation, located in the Leaders' binder. (provided) Intro to insurance handout; 15 laminated (provided) Stocks and bonds handout; 15 laminated (provided) and additional quantities of flyer that a Girl Scout can take home if choose. Leaders' binder with Badge requirements and activity guide from VTK (provided) <p>Troop provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each team will need internet access via phone or computer
Step 4: Find out	<p>Refer to the VTK for the activity details. Also, the activity details are printed and included in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p>

<p>about investment protection</p> <p>Option 1: Find out how the government protects investors</p>	<p>The badge pamphlet is also in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intro to insurance handout; 15 laminated (provided) • Stocks and bonds handout; 15 laminated (provided) and additional quantities of flyer that a Girl Scout can take home if choose. • Leaders' binder with Badge requirements and activity guide from VTK (provided) <p>Troop provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each team will need internet access via phone or computer
<p>Step 5: Plan for sharing with others</p> <p>Option 2: Plan for presents</p>	<p>Refer to the VTK for the activity details. Also, the activity details are printed and included in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>The badge pamphlet is also in the Leaders' Guide binder.</p> <p>Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pencils (provided) • 12 calculators. (provided) • Folder of plain green cardstock (provided) • Leaders' binder with Badge requirements and activity guide from VTK (provided)
<p>End</p>	<p>Great! You have completed the My Financial Independence badge. Hope you had fun!</p>
<p>Supplies</p>	<p>Consumables to be replenished by Badgerland in cooperation with Summit Credit Union</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Budget Worksheet to be used with Budgeting for your First Apartment handout (qty = 20-25) • Buying things for your first apartment Worksheet to be used with Furnishing Your First Apartment handout (qty = 20-25) • Pencils (check if they need to be sharpened; a large starting quantity was provided.) • Little notebooks/journals (qty =15) • Rule of 72 handout: additional quantities. (qty = 20-25) • Stocks and bonds handout; additional quantities. (qty = 20-25) • Folder of plain green cardstock (qty = 20-25)

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