



Teddy Bear Tea

Suggested Daisy Recruitment Event

Tea parties and stuffed animals - two things guaranteed to intrigue most five-year-old girls - have been combined to create a successful recruitment event for Daisy Girl Scouts! The GSCNC Program Department is pleased to provide you with this prepackaged recruitment event.

We need your help to share Girl Scouting with the many girls in your schools, neighborhoods and houses of worship who would benefit from being involved with the world's premier leadership organization for girls. In fact, adults who help to recruit new Daisies may be eligible to win a party *themselves!* Two Service Units in each Area of GSCNC will receive a "party in a box" – all the decorations, paper products, coupons and gift cards for food needed to create the ultimate Service Unit celebration. The parties will go to:



- The Service Unit with the highest number of new Daisy troops forming between January 15 - April 15, 2008
- The Service Unit with highest number of girls placed in Daisy troops between January 15 - April 15, 2008

Enclosed you will find everything you need to introduce new girls to Girl Scouting through a fabulous Teddy Bear Tea.

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Teddy Bear Tea To-Do List



At least one month before the event...

- Solicit support from other parents in troop to help with this event and delegate tasks as needed.
- Determine Teddy Bear Tea Meeting Time and Place (perhaps after school, on a school holiday or a weekend).
- Determine if participants will need to be charged a small fee to cover costs and include this on the invitation.
- Create Invitation (see p. 13 and <http://www.gscnc.org/avd/resources.html>)
- Share Teddy Bear Tea plans with current Girl Scouts and instruct them to invite a friend to this meeting.
- Copy Invitations and Registration forms and distribute to girl's friends and kindergarteners at local schools who are not Girl Scouts.

A few weeks before the event...

- Collect friends' registration forms and be prepared to accommodate any special needs.
- Obtain necessary supplies (see p. 4)
- You may want to prepare decorations or centerpieces as a craft at a previous meeting.
- Remind parents of event time and place and make sure they have clear directions to meeting location.
- Ensure that volunteers are prepared to lead Teddy Bear Tea activities.

At the event...

- Make sure that signs clearly direct girls to event location.
- Warmly welcome girls, their Teddy Bears and their parents!
- Have FUN! See event agenda and activity guides in this packet.
- Provide girls and their parents with more information about the opportunities to join a Girl Scout troop in their area.

After the event...

- Follow up with girls who attended to encourage ongoing participation in a Girl Scout troop.

Outline of Meeting Agenda



*This agenda is based on a **two-hour** meeting time beginning at **3:00 p.m.**
Please adapt as needed!*

- 3:00 - 3:15** Welcome
Make Nametags (for Girls and their Teddy Bears)
Have girls color Teddy Bear Worksheet while they are waiting for others to arrive.
Introduce Girls and Teddy Bears
- 3:15 - 3:45** Craft Activity
(choose one of the options on p. 7)
- 3:45 - 3:55** Song
(choose one of the options on p. 10)
- 3:55 - 4:20** Set the Table and Enjoy Tea with the Bears
- 4:20 - 4:45** Game
(choose one of the options on p. 11)
- 4:45 - 5:00** Closing
Girls join hands in friendship circle to sing "Make New Friends"
"Pass the Squeeze" around the friendship circle, each girl squeezing the hand of the girl next to her until the squeeze circles around to the person who started it.
Thank the friends and their bears for coming and encourage them to join a Girl Scout troop.
Check girls out to their parents and speak with any adults who are interested in getting their girls involved in a troop.

Supplies



The suggested quantities are based on 20 girls. Please adjust based on actual attendance.

Welcome

Completed registration forms for all attendees
Sign-in or check-in list
Nametags
Copy of Teddy Bear Worksheet
Markers or Crayons
Extra Teddy Bear(s) in case someone forgets to bring one

Party Set-Up

*Tables and chairs for girls and their bears.
Tablecloth
Any balloons, centerpieces, or decorations that the girls would like
*If space is limited, a Teddy Bear “Picnic” theme could be adopted with picnic blankets or tablecloths for girls on the floor.

Food

Finger food is fun—and easy!—when planning a Tea Party. Suggested items include peanut butter and jelly sandwiches (for tea party quality, cut sandwiches into four triangles and remove the crusts), juice, fruit, dessert, and, of course, tea! This can be adapted to suit troop needs and tastes.

Food:

Bread - 2 loafs
Peanut Butter - 1 jar
Jelly - 1 jar
Fruit - Grapes (2 lbs), Apples (6-10), Watermelon (1), Cantaloupe (1), Strawberries (2 lbs)
Cookies - 40-60 cookies (about 2-3 packages. Teddy Grahams or Animal Crackers may be a good idea.)
Juice - 3 gallons
Tea - (About 5 bags of caffeine-free tea per tea pot. Girls may prefer a fruit-flavored tea.)

Food Supplies:

Sharp knife and cutting board for preparing fruit/vegetables (*adult use only*)

Tray or plates for serving food

Tea kettle and tea pot

* Paper Plates - 20

* Napkins - 20

* Cups - 20

* For a more formal effect, use a real tea set. If you are meeting at a house of worship they may have dishes you can borrow.

Crafts

(You will probably want to choose only one of the following craft activities. See p. 7 for full instructions.)

Cookie Decorating:

20 plain large sugar cookies (It's always a good idea to bring a few extras- just in case!)

10 tubes of frosting (A variety of colors would be good.)

Sprinkles

Wax paper (optional)

Tray for serving cookies

Napkin Ring

Template (See p. 9) - 10 cardboard cut-outs of each template piece

Felt - 20 four inch green squares (for the leaves); 20 four inch multicolored squares (for the flowers); 20 four inch by eight inch multicolored rectangles (for the body of the napkin ring)

Scissors - 20 childrens scissors

Placemat

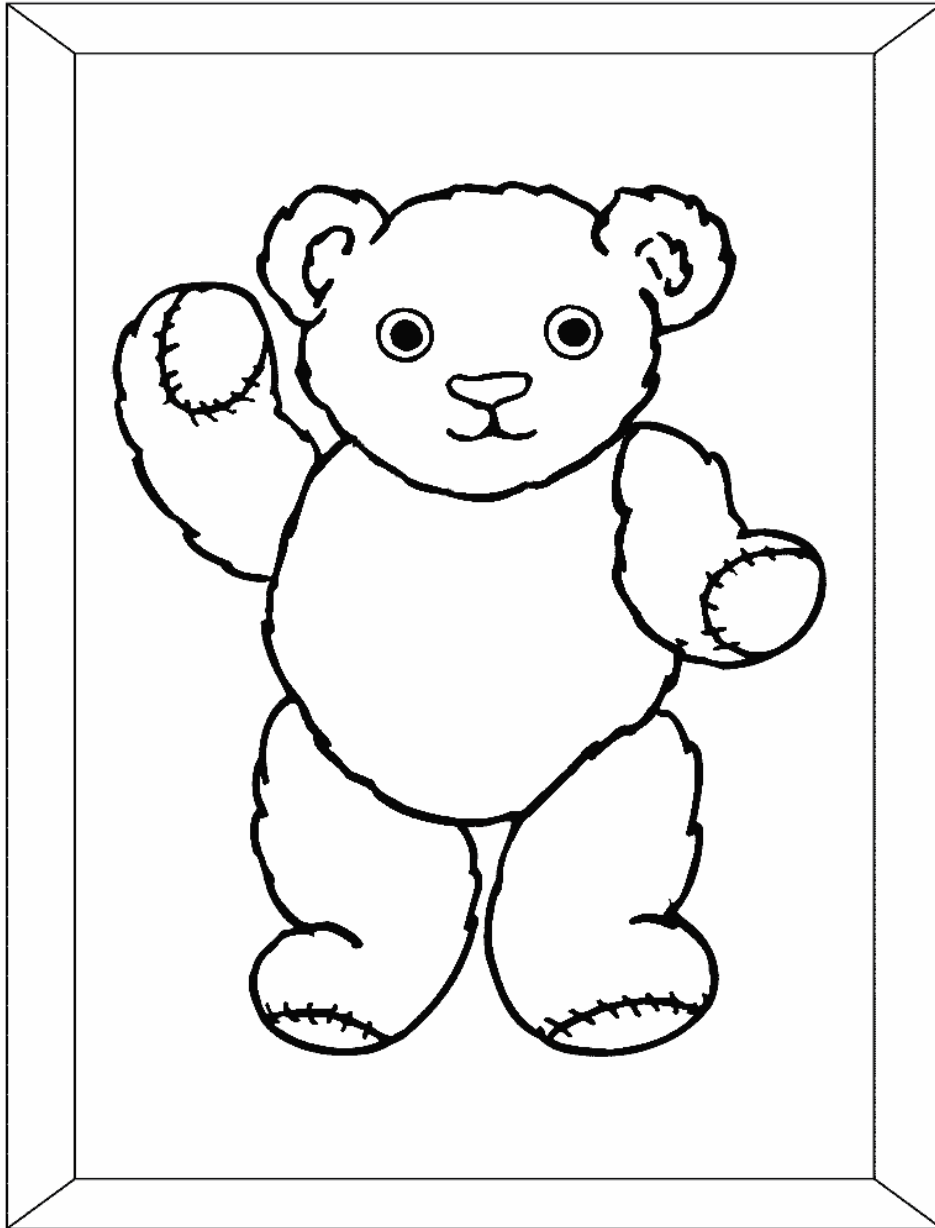
Plain White Construction Paper (9x12") - 20

Markers or Construction Paper, Glue and Scissors

Clear Contact Paper - 1 roll (can be purchased in local hardware store)

Teddy Bear Tea

Welcome to the Girl Scout Teddy Bear Tea! Color this picture and tell us about you and your bear.



My Bear's Name is _____.

My Bear Likes to _____.

My Name is _____.

Crafts



A. Cookie Decorating

Decorate a cookie to share with a friend in the group! Girls should decorate a cookie for a friend. This can be the friend's dessert during the tea party. Make sure girls work on a covered surface or over a piece of wax paper to avoid a mess.

- 20 plain large sugar cookies (it's always a good idea to bring a few extras- just in case!)
- 10 tubes of frosting (a variety of colors would be good)
- Sprinkles
- Wax paper (optional)
- Tray to put the cookies on when finished.

B. Napkin Ring

Create a colorful napkin ring to help decorate your tea party place settings! See complete illustrated instructions on p. 8.

- Template (See p. 9) - 10 cardboard cut-outs of each template piece
- Felt - 20 four inch green squares (for the leaves); 20 four inch multicolored squares (for the flowers); 20 four inch by eight inch multicolored rectangles (for the body of the napkin ring)
- Scissors - 20 children's scissors

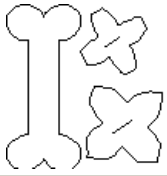
C. Placemat

A placemat makes a great tea table decoration and Teddy Bear Tea souvenir!

- Plain White Construction Paper (9x12") - 20
- Markers or Construction Paper, Glue and Scissors
- Clear Contact Paper - 1 roll (can be purchased in local hardware store)

1. Have girls decorate their Girl Scout Teddy Bear Tea Placemat.
2. Once the glue has dried, cover the construction paper with contact paper (leave at least ½" on each side).
3. Use for Tea and send home with girls!

Flower Napkin Ring Instructions



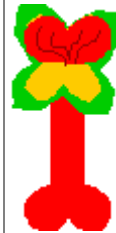
Cut out the 3 pieces to make templates.



Use green felt for the leaves. The other two pieces can be any color. Make a 1 inch slit in the middle of the leaves and petal pieces (but not the bone-shaped piece).



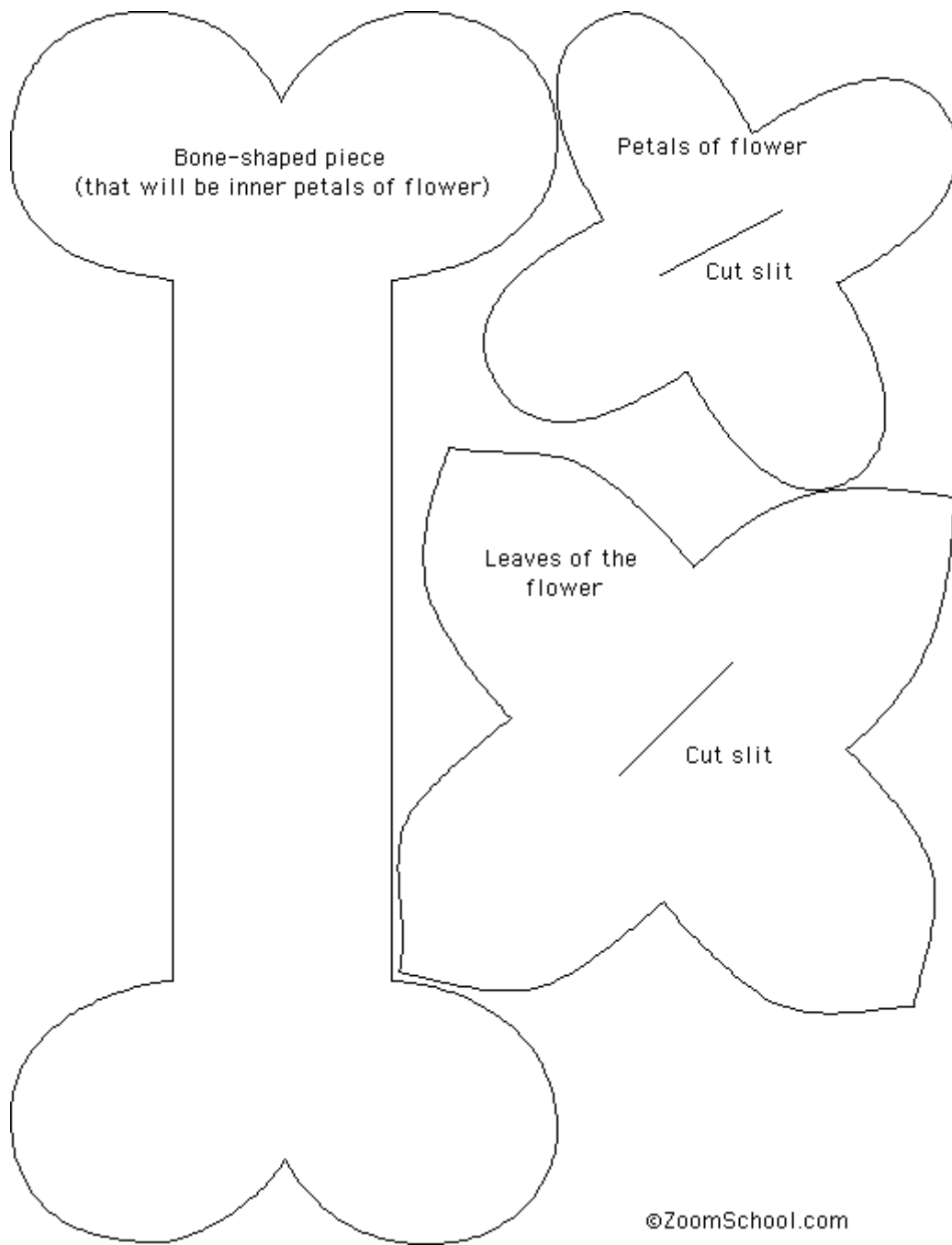
Slip the green piece onto one end of the bone-shaped piece. Then slip the petal piece onto the same end.



Slip the other end of the bone-shaped piece through the green piece and the petal piece. The bone-shaped piece will form a loop.



Slip a rolled-up napkin through the loop in the bone-shaped piece and you're done.



Songs



Make New Friends

Make new friends,
but keep the old.
One is silver,
the other is gold.

A circle is round,
it has no end.
That's how long,
I will be your friend.

The Bear Song

The leader begins by "singing" one line of each verse and the group repeats it in the same sing-song fashion. Then everybody sings each whole verse once together.

The other day
I met a bear
A great big bear
A-way out there

He looked at me
I looked at him
He sized up me
I sized up him

He said to me
Why don't you run
I see you ain't
Got any gun

And so I ran
Away from there
But right behind
Me was that bear

And then I see
Ahead of me
A great big tree
Oh, glory be!

The lowest branch
Was ten feet up
I'd have to jump
And trust my luck!

And so I jumped
Into the air
But I missed that branch
A way up there

Now don't you fret
Now don't you frown
'Cause I caught that
branch
On the way back down

This is the end
There ain't no more
Until I meet
That bear once more.

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear

As you recite the rhyme below, let the girls pretend to be teddy bears and act out the movements.

Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Turn around,
Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Touch the ground.
Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Dance on your toes,
Teddy bear, teddy bear.
Touch your nose.
Teddy bear, teddy bear.
Reach up high.
Teddy bear, teddy bear.
Touch the sky.
Teddy bear, teddy bear.
touch your shoe,
Teddy bear, teddy bear.
I love you!

Three Brown Bears

(Sung to the tune of Three Blind Mice)

Three Brown bears
Three Brown bears
See all their beds
See all their chairs
The Mommy cooked in
a big brown pot.
The Daddy's porridge
was much too hot
The Baby Bear
always cried a lot
Three Brown Bears
Three Brown Bears

Games



A. Mr. Bear (this game can be found on p. 131 of the Brownie Girl Scout Handbook)

You'll need at least three people, a place for "home," and the bear's den.

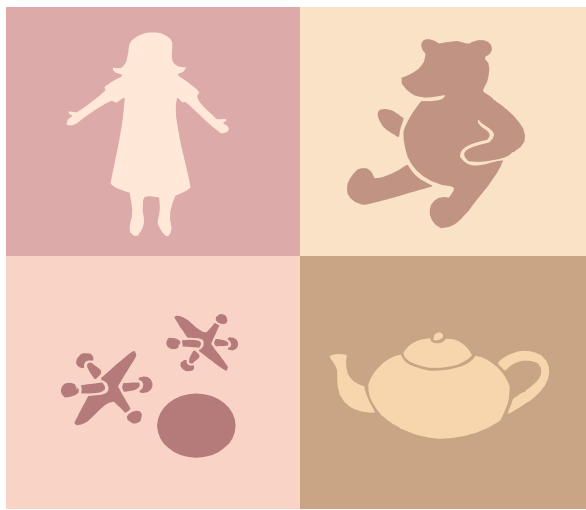
1. One person is Mr. Bear. He is trying to sleep in his den.
2. The other players sneak up to Mr. Bear and whisper, "Mr. Bear, are you awake?"
3. Mr. Bear pretends not to hear them. Then the players yell, "MR. BEAR, ARE YOU AWAKE?" This makes Mr. Bear furious! He chases them all and tries to catch them before they reach home, which is the safe place.
4. Everyone tagged by the bear before reaching home becomes one of Mr. Bear's cubs. They go back to the den with Mr. Bear.
5. When the remaining players come back to wake up Mr. Bear again, the cubs help Mr. Bear catch them.
6. When everyone has been caught, someone else becomes Mr. Bear.

B. Teddy, Teddy, Bear (substitute these words for Duck, Duck and Goose)

In this game, kids sit down in a circle facing each other. One person is "it" and walks around the circle. As they walk around, they tap people's heads and say whether they are a "Teddy" or a "Bear". Once someone is the "Bear" they get up and try to chase "it" around the circle. The goal is to tap that person before they are able sit down in the "Bear's" spot. If the goose is not able to do this, they become "it" for the next round and play continues. If they do tap the "it" person, the person tagged has to sit in the center of the circle. Then the Bear becomes it for the next round. The person in the middle can't leave until another person is tagged and they are replaced.

C. Teddy Bear Relay Race

1. Place all of the girls' Teddy Bears in a basket or pile on one of the room.
2. Split girls into 2 teams.
3. Have teams stand in a line behind a "starting line."
4. Have teams cheer for each girl as she races to bear pile, finds her bear, then runs back to starting point to be seated.
5. The first team to have all girls seated with their bears "wins."



TEDDY BEAR TEA

Bring your favorite stuffed friend for a Teddy Bear Tea!

Participate in the following activities:

- Tea and Snack
- Singing Songs
- Arts and Crafts
- And much more!
- Playing Games

When:
Where:
Fee:

Financial assistance is available.



Send registration and payment
To _____
by _____

Questions? Contact:

Email _____
Phone _____

Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital



Girl's Name _____ Age _____ Birth date ____ / ____ / ____
Address _____ Phone _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____
Mother/Guardian _____ Day phone _____
E-mail _____ Evening phone _____ Cell or pager _____
Father/Guardian _____ Day phone _____
E-mail _____ Evening phone _____ Cell or pager _____
School Attending _____ State _____ Grade _____
Troop # _____ Level _____

The registrant's racial background is: *(optional)*

- American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American White Other
 Hawaiian or Pacific Islander *(please check one)* Hispanic or Latina Not Hispanic or Latina

Must have information for emergency contact if parent(s) cannot be reached (please print clearly):

Name/ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____
Name/ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

HEALTH HISTORY – All Information provided will be kept confidential

Describe allergies, details of chronic conditions, or health restrictions on additional sheet if needed.

Are all immunizations up to date? ___ Yes ___ No If no, please state reason: _____

Please provide comments where applicable: Medication being taken _____

Special dietary needs/restrictions: _____ Weight of camper for dosage purposes: _____

Specific information including physical, psychiatric or behavioral problems: _____

Insurance company: _____ Policy Number: _____ Group # _____

Family physician: _____ Phone: Day _____ Eve _____

Parent Permission Statement

† The health history is correct as far as I know, and the person herein described has my permission to engage in all events activities except as noted. If she appears ill, I will not send her.

† **EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION:** In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby grant permission to the program director to secure proper treatment for my child.

† The Girl Scouts may use any photo in which my child appears to promote Girl Scouting. For the purpose of liability insurance, my daughter has my consent to become a member of the Girl Scouts.

Parent/Guardian Signature required:

Signature _____ Date _____