

Short and Snappy Continuing Education **WAGGGS and World Thinking Day**

What you will learn:

How GSUSA fits into the worldwide WAGGGS movement, and how we can connect with sisters around the world on World Thinking Day.

Why:

Through its membership in the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), Girl Scouts of the USA is part of a worldwide family of 10 million girls and adults in 150 countries. Global Girl Scouting ensures that girls have increased awareness about the world, cross-cultural learning opportunities, and education on relevant global issues that may inspire them to take action to make the world a better place.

Check these out:

<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/about-girl-scouts/global/world-thinking-day.html>

<https://www.waggggs.org/en/what-we-do/world-thinking-day/>

<http://www.girlscoutsofmaine.org/content/dam/girlscouts-girlscoutsofmaine/documents/World-Thinking-Day-Toolkit.pdf>

Try this:

Today we are playing a Girl Scout international trivia game. Take a sheet of paper and number from 1 to 10. Be sure to put an answer for each question- even if it is a guess, it might be right!

1. What does **WAGGGS** stand for?
2. What does the Trefoil stand for on the World Pin?
3. When is World Thinking Day? Why was that day chosen?
4. What hand is used to give the Girl Scout Handshake?
5. What is the USA Girl Scout Motto?
6. When was Thinking Day first established?
7. What is the **JLWFF**?
8. Which country does NOT belong to the movement? – Cuba, Latvia, Sri Lanka or The Maldives
9. Which **4** countries have a permanent World Centre?
10. What are the **3** languages used for WAGGGS publications?

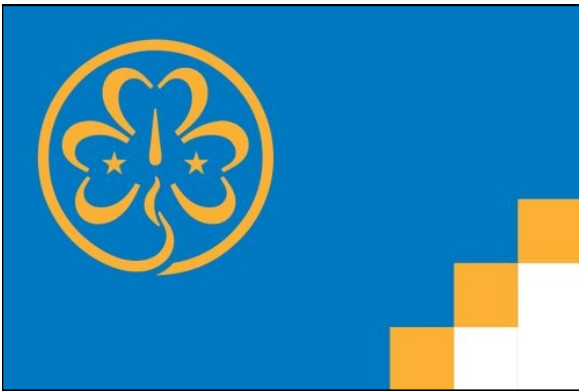


World Thinking Day

World Thinking Day is a day of thought, action, sharing, and giving. It is a special annual day when Girl Guides and Girl Scouts around the world think of each other and express their thanks and appreciation for our international Movement. What do we do on World Thinking Day?

- Celebrate World Thinking Day and be one in ten million!
- Be inspired by the history and impact of our global Movement
- Connect with the worldwide sisterhood of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting
- Take action and speak out on issues we most care about
- Make a difference by fundraising for projects around the world

How to plan a World Thinking Day activity



World Flag

The golden Trefoil is the focal point on a blue background. A white blaze in the lower, right-hand corner represents WAGGGS' commitment to peace. The three gold blocks symbolize the three-fold Promise.

World Thinking Day activities are typically hosted by a troop or a group of adults for a specific service unit. A common format for an activity is a fair-style approach. For such an event, each troop signed up to attend selects a **WAGGGS country** prior to the event to represent and present to the rest of the group. They plan a table-top or small activity station specifically focused on Girl Guides or Girl Scouts in that country— their Promise, Law, Motto, country pin, uniform, movement origins, current membership, common bonds shared with Girl Scouts of the USA, etc. This could also include games, food, crafts, or a small activity. Some troops may even decide to dress like scouts from their country or wear traditional clothing from that country.

On event day, troops will “travel” from country to country as they rotate through the various stations. As the troops travel from country to country, they can get a stamp in World Thinking Day passports, or even get a SWAP from each country.

Other ways to celebrate World Thinking Day

- Follow this year’s World Thinking Day Activity Pack:
<https://www.waggs.org/en/what-we-do/world-thinking-day/>
- Donate to the World Thinking Day Fund:
<https://www.waggs.org/en/what-we-do/world-thinking-day/world-thinking-day-fund/>
- Connect with a penpal to grow your international network of friendships with other Girl Guide and Girl Scout groups around the world: <https://www.waggs.org/en/what-we-do/world-thinking-day/penpals/>
- Select one of the 5 World Centres to present.

