

## N.S. Brownies 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

2015 was the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Brownies in N.S., so let's celebrate those 100 years!

To earn the crest, complete 3 activities from the list below.



### 1. Handicrafts

100 years ago, Brownies did lots of different types of handicrafts.

Try out a handicraft from the list below or find another one that interests you.

- Spool Knitting
- Weaving
- Needlework
- Candle Making
- Quilting
- Sew on a button or mend torn clothes

### 2. Drama

Choose a classic story from the early 1900's that a Brownie might have enjoyed (such as Anne of Green Gables, Wizard of Oz, Peter Pan).

Do one of the following:

- a. Re-enact your favourite scene from the story as a skit, dramatic reading, or a put on a puppet play.
- b. Create a different ending to the story than the author did and write it down or draw a comic of it.

### 3. Cookies

The first Girl Guide Cookies were sold in 1927 in Regina Saskatchewan. In 1946 there were three flavours of cookies: Vanilla Crème, Maple Cream, and Shortbread and they cost \$0.25 per box.

Pretend you were a Brownie back in 1946 and make a cookie poster to advertise the cookie flavours.

### 4. Uniforms

Look at some pictures of the old Brownie uniforms online (can be from any time over the past 100 years).

Do one of the following:

- a. Draw a self-portrait of yourself in an old Brownie uniform.
- b. Write a list of all the ways the uniform is different or the same as your uniform, then write down which you prefer and why.

### 5. Badges

Using the archives look at some old Brownie Badges.

[https://www.girlguides.ca/WEB/Documents/ON/Archives/pdf\\_archives\\_brownies\\_Badges.pdf](https://www.girlguides.ca/WEB/Documents/ON/Archives/pdf_archives_brownies_Badges.pdf)

- Talk about if they are different or the same as the badges you earn now? Why do you think they would have changed over time?
- Decide which badge you would be interested in earning and try an activity relating to it. For example, if you are interested in the flight badge learn about airplanes or make a paper airplane.

6. Rosebuds

In 1914, girls eight to 11 years of age were called “Rosebuds”- a name which adults’ thought was sweet but the girls did not like it. About a year later the name was changed to Brownies.

Pretend to be a Rosebud in 1914. What would you change the name to and how would you convince their leaders to change the name from Rosebud’s to your new name?

Do one of the following:

- a. Put on a skit
- b. Hold a debate
- c. Write a fake newspaper article or letter
- d. Draw a comic
- e. Make a speech

7. Active games

Brownies 100 years ago played many of the same games we play today.

Today, we are more aware of games that are accessible and inclusive. How would you adapt the games below so that all could participate?

Play one or more of the following games (rules can be found online):

- Tag
- Jump rope
- Hide & seek
- Baseball
- Hopscotch
- Snakes & Ladders
- Tiddlywinks
- Checkers
- Jacks
- Marbles

8. Helping Out

Many Brownie badges were related to helping out around the home. Complete one of the following options to help in your home:

- a. Mealtime
  - Help make a meal.
  - Set the table for the meal.
  - Help clean up / wash up after.
- b. Your room
  - Keep your floor tidy of toys and clothes.
  - Help fold and put away your laundry.
  - Make your bed.
- c. Hostess
  - Learn how to make coffee or tea, and juice or punch.
  - Bake cookies or another small treat.
  - Serve the treat and drinks to your family/friends, or unit.

Once you have completed the Challenge, please complete the On-Line Order Form.