

How the Brownie programme works

There are 6 themes that run through the programme, they are:



Brownies
5th Stowmarket



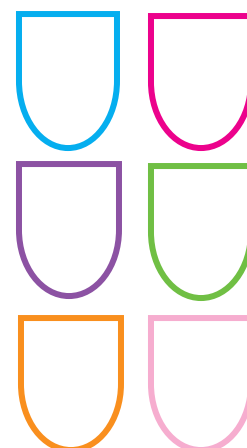
Within each theme there are 3 sections, they are:

- **Unit Meeting Activities (UMA's)**
 - Completed during Brownie meetings as a whole unit
 - Counted in minutes
- **Skills Builders (SB)**
 - Completed during Brownie meetings in small groups
 - Each theme has two SB's, each with two stages (stage 2 & stage 3) with 4 activities per stage
- **Interest badges (IB)**
 - Completed at home
 - Each theme has 3 IB's, and each badge has 3 clauses to be completed



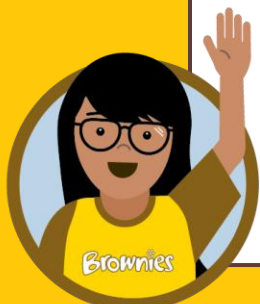
As your daughter passes through Brownies, she can achieve 6 theme award badges. To gain a theme award, your daughter must have completed the following all from the same theme:

- 1 Skills Builder
- **180 minutes** of Unit Meeting Activities
- 1 Interest Badge



Once your daughter has earned:

- **2** Theme Awards – she will receive a **Bronze Award**
- **4** Theme Awards – she will receive a **Silver Award**
- **6** Theme Awards & completed a special Gold Award Challenge, she will receive the highest Brownie badge – **Gold Award!**



PROGRAMME RESOURCES

My Bade Book

Badge book

The badge book contains the interest badges criteria and allows the girls to record their progress through the unit. It is not essential but is very helpful if your daughter is interested in gaining extra badges.

This will be provided by the unit during her first term once your daughter has settled in.

Bring on the Brownies book

Bring on the Brownies gives a nice overview of Brownies, with useful information about our Promise, history and programme. It may be helpful for new Brownies or make a lovely souvenir to look back on. If you would like to purchase one please let me know.

Cost: £3.50

Bring on the Brownies

Anniversary badges

Anniversary badges celebrate a year of membership with Girlguiding. They will be given out each year to mark your daughter's commitment and carry on through all the sections. If your daughter has been with Girlguiding for two years or more and you would like to purchase the previous years we can provide these.

Cost: £0.60 each



UNIFORM

Girls will need to wear uniform once they have settled into Brownies. We ask that they wear a t-shirt as a minimum. Uniform is a mix and max to allow for individual choice. Badges can be displayed on any item of uniform. Sashes are an option but are impractical for weekly activities. Below are a number of options for purchasing uniform, we would recommend trying before buying.

Shops

- Bury Scout & Guide Shop,
3 South Parade Shops,
Lake Avenue, IP32 6HX
 - www.buryscoutguide-shop.org.uk
- Craftability, St Lawrence
Street, Ipswich
 - craftability-ipswich.co.uk
- Some school uniform
shops stock Brownie
uniform

Online depots

- www.girlguidingshop.co.uk/products/brownies/uniform
- www.girlguiding-anglia.org.uk/shop/brownie/brownie-uniform

Second hand

- We have a small amount of donated uniform available but this tends to be the smaller sizes
- Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/1434263190209921 is to buy and sell second hand uniform. A leader would need to add you if you wish to join this group
- Selling sites such as Ebay and Vinted often have uniform, or local Facebook groups

