



Democracy for Daisies Badge

Pillar: Civic Engagement

When you've earned this badge, you will have learned about the people who work together in your government.

When a group of people live together—in a town, city, state, or country—they follow rules. These rules, and the people who make the rules, are called the **government**.

Girl Scout Daisies will follow these steps to earn their badge:

1. Find out about local government (Discover, Connect)
 - a. A **Mayor** is in charge of a city or a town. They help make and enforce the rules in your town. Who is the Mayor of your city or town? Click here to do a follow along activity to learn about the mayor of Hilo, Hawaii - <http://teacher.scholastic.com/commclub/mayor/index.htm>
 - b. Watch this video to learn about **local governmental departments** such as the fire department. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FVOhFIF2-tI> Pick a department and draw a picture of that worker performing their job in their community.
2. Find out about state government (Discover, Connect)
 - a. In the United States, a **Governor** is in charge of a state or territory. Click here https://facts.kiddle.co/List_of_current_United_States_governors for a list of current U.S. State Governors. Who is the Governor of Missouri? Who is the Governor of Kansas? What state do you live in?
 - b. Governors approve and enforce rules - with an adult, talk about some rules you think the governor approves and enforces.
 - c. Check out these video tours of the Kansas Capitol: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJRbijsz74> and of the Missouri Capitol: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JXGx2y2znk>
3. Find out about national government (Discover, Take Action)
 - a. The **President** is the leader of our country. Click here for a list of the 45 U.S. Presidents and click on their name to read about them. <https://www.ducksters.com/biography/uspresidents/> Who is the current President of the United States? Who was the first U.S. President?
 - b. With an adult in your household, watch this video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u1zNHoYmhUI&list=PLzvRx_johoA-Yabl6FWcU-jL6nKA1Um-t&index=33 and discuss what problems you think a President should help solve. Make a list of some ways you can help the President solve those problems. Choose one thing you listed and go out and do it!
 - c. If you have extra time, click here to learn about the White House and create your own! <https://www.girlscouts.org/en/girl-scouts-at-home/activities-for-girls/daisies/daisy-democracy-badge-activity.html>

For inspiration, instructions, and ideas, check out our [Democracy for Daisies Pinterest Board](#).

When you're finished: Congratulations, you have earned your Democracy for Daisies badge! You can purchase it at <https://www.girlscoutshop.com/democracy-for-daisies-badge>

Purchase the GS Virtual main patch and bars at <https://www.gsksmo.org/orderpatches>

