

Song Leading and Song book



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Song Leading

A Skill That Can Be Learned

Love to sing, but not sure how to start teaching others? Here are some great guidelines for the emerging song leader—no matter what age you are.

Choosing Songs

- **Know the group that you will be working with.** How old are they? How many girls are there? What are their singing abilities? What are their song interests? How long is their attention span?
- **Begin with simple songs or songs that the girls know.** Choose songs that are simple, like short rounds, songs with tra-la-la choruses, repeat songs, or those that include repetition.
- **Know what you are doing.** Know the song words and the melody. Practice. Use note cards if you need them. Make a list of the songs you will sing, and know the order you will sing them in. Know something of the history of the song so you can share it with the girls.
- **If you are choosing songs for an evening program,** start out with the rowdy songs and end up with the quiet songs to set the tone for bedtime.

Leading Songs

- **Be enthusiastic.**
- **Sing the song through for the group.** Introduce the song by telling where it is from. Sing the first verse and the chorus, so group members know how it sounds. Have those who know it sing with you.
- **Teach the song phrase by phrase.** Sing a phrase, and have the group sing back to you. Then join phrases and sing the verse and chorus. If long, teach a few verses, then repeat. Repeat once or twice.
- **Sing the song all together.** If singing a round, a song with parts, or a descant, make sure each group knows its part well before putting the parts together. If you are singing a song with parts, have a leader who knows each part. Use simple hand motions to keep the tempo.

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- **You give the starting note.** Hum the melody or use a musical instrument. If you get it wrong, stop and start over. Avoid pitching too high or too low for girls.

- **Make sure that girls follow your hand motions.** Let them know that hand motions are used to keep the group together in the right tempo, and the motions will help them know where you are in the song.

- **Choose a variety of songs.** Do songs that are fast and slow, songs that include hand motions, and songs that lend themselves to simple harmony, as well as funny songs. Avoid songs that might be offensive to religious or ethnic groups.

Traditional Girl Scout Songs

<p>Make New Friends Make new friends but keep the old One is silver and the other is gold</p> <p><i>(optional second verse)</i> A circle is round, it has no end That's how long I want to be your friend</p>	<p>When 'ere you make a Promise When 'ere you make a promise Consider well it's importance And when made Engrave it upon your heart</p>
<p>Brownie Smile Song I have something in my pocket It belongs across my face I keep it very close at hand In a most convenient place I'm sure you couldn't guess it If you guess a long, long while So I'll take it out and put it on It's a great big Brownie SMILE!! (motions optional)</p>	<p>The Peppiest Girl The peppiest girl I ever saw She never came a pokin' If I was to tell you the pep she had You'd think I was a jokin' It's not the pep in the pepper pot Or the pep in the popcorn popper It's not the pep in the mustard jar Or the pep in the vinegar stopper It's good old fashioned P- E-P A pep you cannot down Girl Scout pep, Girl Scout pep Peppiest girls around</p>

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Girl Scouts Together

Girl Scouts together that is our song
Winding the old trails, rocky and long
Learning our motto, living our creed
Girl Scouts together in every good deed

Girl Scouts together happy are we
Friendly to neighbors, far o'er the sea
Faithful to country, loyal to home
Known as true Girl Scouts
Where ever we roam

She Wears a "G"

She wears a G for generosity.
She wears an I for interest, too.
She wears an R for real sportsmanship.
She wears and L for loyalty, for loyalty!
She wears an S for her sincerity.
She wears a C for courtesy.
She wears and O-U-T for outdoor life, outdoor life.
And that Girl Scout is Me!

(Optional intro)

Hooray for Girl Scouts
Hooray for Girl Scouts
Someone in the crowd shouted
HOORAY FOR GIRL SCOUTS!
1-2-3-4 who you gonna yell for?
Girl Scout that's US!

Girl Scout Grace

In the beauty of this hour
Bless O' Lord this we take
Make our lives for the a tool
Help us live the Girl Scout rule

On My Honor

Chorus: On my honor, I will try
There's a duty to be done and I say I
There's a reason here for a reason
above
My honor is to try and my duty is to love

People don't need to know my name.
If I do any harm, then I'm to blame
When I help another then I help me
If I've opened up my eyes to see

Chorus

I've tucked away a song or two
If you're feeling low, there's one for you
When you need a friend, then I will come
There are many more where I come from

Chorus

Come with me where a fire burns bright
We can even see better in a candle's light
But we find more meaning in a campfire's glow
Than we'd ever learn in a year or so

Chorus

We've made a promise to always keep
And the day is done before we sleep
We'll be Girl Scouts together and when we're gone
We'll still be trying and singing this song.

Chorus

Taps

Day is done, Gone the sun
From the lakes, from the hills, from the sky
All is well, safely rest, God is nigh

(Optional intro)

Green trees

Green trees around us, Blue skies above
Friends all around us, In a world filled with love
Taps sounding softly, hearts beating true
As we all say, Good night to you

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Daisy Songs

<p>DAISY HAPPY FACE SONG (Tune- Brownie Smile)</p> <p>I've something in my little hand that you just cannot see... It's very, very special and it's now a part of me. The Daisy Girl Scouts showed me how to put it into place... And when I clap my little hands you'll see my HAPPY FACE!</p> <p>Motions: I'VE SOMETHING... Cup both hands together palms together, IT'S VERY... Bring cupped hands to chest over heart, DAISY... Open hands and cover face with open hands, CLAP "clap", and make a motion outward with palms up.</p>	<p>ALICE THE CAMEL</p> <p>Alice the Camel has five humps, Alice the Camel has five humps, Alice the Camel has five humps, so go Alice go, boom boom, boom. Count down. After last verse "no humps", sing: 'Cause Alice is a horse, of course.</p> <p>Movements: everyone stands shoulder to shoulder when number is mentioned, bend knees and dip down on boom boom, boom, move hips back and forth to hit others</p>
<p>It's A Daisy World (Tune: Bicycle Built for Two)</p> <p>Daisy, Daisy, you gave us Scouting true, You sure showed what one "turned on" girl can do With contagious ideas you bombarded; Just look at what you've started It's a Daisy World for every girl, It's a Daisy World today.</p>	<p>DAISY CLEAN UP SONG (Tune: Jingle Bells)</p> <p>Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts. Let's tidy up the room. Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts. Time to go home soon</p> <p>Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts, We're picking up our things. Daisy Scouts, Daisy Scouts, Hear our voices sing</p>
<p>BUY SOME COOKIES (Tune of "Pop Goes The Weasel")</p> <p>Up and down the neighborhood streets Girl Scouts sell their cookies Ringing doorbells, asking you please Please buy some cookies!</p>	<p>I'M A LITTLE DAISY (Tune: I'm a Little Teapot)</p> <p>I'm a little Daisy, dressed in blue I am a Girl Scout, you are too When I go to meetings, I sing and shout I love being a Daisy Girl Scout!</p> <p>Actions: I'm a little Daisy, - hands together, at side of face, head tilted Dressed in blue - hands pick up hem of uniform smock I am a Girl Scout, - make 3 fingered sign You are too - point to neighbor When I go to meetings, - hands out, palms up I sing and shout - hands cup around mouth I love being a - point to heart Daisy Girl Scout! - clap 3 times, once on each word</p>

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<p>Daisy, Daisy (tune-Bicycle Built For Two) Daisy, Daisy Juliette Gordon Low She founded the Girl Scouts, for every girl to know The wonder of outdoor living The fun it is in giving It's great we shout to be a Scout And whistle it as we go</p>	<p>Strut Miss Daisy Strut Miss Daisy Strut Miss Daisy Strut Miss Daisy all the day long Here comes another one just like the other one Here comes another one all the day long <i>(form two lines-girls two at a time dance down the middle of the two lines-the funnier the better)</i></p>
<p>Daisy Scout Song <i>(Tune: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star)</i> Daisy Scouts are bright and happy See us work and see us play We can dance and we can sing We can do anything We have fun and help each day Daisy Scouts are here to stay</p>	<p>Daisy Gathering Song Take my hand and form a chain Down a magic Daisy lane Smile a friendly smile and say May I help someone today?</p>
<p>Daisy Troop Song I'm a Daisy, You're a Daisy She's a Daisy too And if you want to be a Daisy This is what you do...</p> <p>You come to a meeting You have a lot of fun You do arts and crafts And you cleanup when you're done</p> <p>We learn a lot of new things We make a lot of new friends We love being Daisies, And we're sad when it ends</p>	<p>Who's that Girl? Who is that girl they're all talking about? Why, don't you know? She's a Daisy Girl Scout!</p> <p>A Daisy is honest, she knows what is true; She tries to be fair when she's playing with you She helps when she is needed – she'll get the job done;</p> <p>She's happy and cheerful to everyone! She's friendly and kind whenever she's out, And acts like a sister to every Girl Scout</p> <p>She listens to parents and leaders as well She tries not to be wasteful and that you can tell She takes care of her world and gives back what it needs</p> <p>She shows others she cares through her words and her deeds Now you don't have to wonder who that Daisy can be You knew all along that Daisy is ME!</p>

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Brownie Songs

<p>Brownie Smile Song I have something in my pocket It belongs across my face I keep it very close at hand In a most convenient place I'm sure you couldn't guess it If you guess a long, long while So I'll take it out and put it on It's a great big Brownie SMILE!! (motions optional)</p>	<p>GOODBYE BROWNIES <i>(Tune: Goodnight Ladies)</i></p> <p>Good bye Brownies, good bye brownies Good bye Brownies, we're sad to see you go</p> <p><i>(Sing in friendship circle, hold hands right over left, turn out of circle)</i></p>
<p>I'M A GIRL SCOUT <i>(Tune- Frere Jacque)</i></p> <p>I'm a Girl Scout. I'm a Girl Scout. Who are you? Who are you? Can't you tell by looking? Can't you tell by looking? I'm one too. I'm one too.</p>	<p>THE MORE WE GET TOGETHER</p> <p>The more we get together, together, together, the more we get together, the happier we'll be.</p> <p>For your friends are my friends, and my friends are your friends the more we get together the happier we'll be</p>
<p>DOWN BY THE BANK <i>(A hand clapping game)</i></p> <p>Down by the banks of the hanky panky where the bullfrogs jump from back-banky with and Eee a poppa, O a poppa, I a poppa POW!</p> <p>The Grand Old Duke of York <i>(Tune: "A-Hunting We Will Go")</i></p> <p>The Grand old Duke of York, He had ten thousand men. He marched them up the hill, <i>Everyone stands up</i> And marched them down again. <i>Everyone sits down</i> And when you're up, you're up; <i>Everyone stands up</i> And when you're down, you're down. <i>Everyone sits down</i> And when you're only halfway up, <i>Everyone half-way up</i> You're neither up nor down!</p>	<p>HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD</p> <p><i>Chorus:</i> He's got the whole world, in his hands, He's got the whole world, in his hands He's got the whole world, in his hands He's got the whole world in his hands.</p> <p><i>Replace "whole world" with:</i> Darling Daisies Half-Baked Brownies Jazzy Juniors Crazy Cadettes Sassy Seniors Awesome Ambassadors Loudmouth Leaders</p>

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This Little Brownie Light of Mine

This little Brownie light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little Brownie light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little Brownie light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

Don't you (*poof*) my little light out, I'm gonna let it shine

Don't you (*poof*) my little light out, I'm gonna let it shine

Don't you (*poof*) my little light out, I'm gonna let it shine

Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

Hide it under a bush? Oh no! I'm gonna let it shine
Hide it under a bush? Oh no! I'm gonna let it shine
Hide it under a bush? Oh no! I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

Take my little light around the world, I'm gonna let it shine

Take my little light around the world, I'm gonna let it shine

Take my little light around the world, I'm gonna let it shine

Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

Daisy

Tune: Bicycle Built for Two

Daisy, Daisy, we honor your memory true.
We are Girl Scouts all because of you.
We follow the path you started,
And live the law you charted.
We grow and grow, for Juliette Low,
America's proud of you.

The Law

(*tune: Home on the Range*)

I will do my best to be Honest and fair
Friendly and Helpful too....

Considerate and caring, Courageous and strong
and responsible for what I say and do and to
Respect myself and others; Respect authority
too

Use resources wisely; make the world a better
place

and be a sister to every Girl Scout!

Met a Bear

(Repeat song)

The other day, (repeat)

I met a bear (repeat)

A great big bear (repeat)

Away out there (repeat)

Sing the verse

He looked at me, (repeat)

I looked at him (repeat)

He sized me up (repeat)

I sized up him (repeat)

Sing the verse

He said to me (repeat)

Why don't you run? (repeat)

'Cause I can see (repeat)

You ain't got a gun (repeat)

Sing the verse

And so I said (repeat)

That's a good idea (repeat)

So come on feet (repeat)

Let's get out of here! (repeat)

Sing the verse

The lowest branch (repeat)

Was ten feet up (repeat)

I'd have to jump (repeat)

And trust my luck (repeat)

Sing the verse

And so I jumped (repeat)

Into the air, (repeat)

But I missed that branch (repeat)

Away up there (repeat)

Sing the verse

But don't you fret (repeat)

And don't you frown, (repeat)

'Cause I caught that branch (repeat)

On the way back down! (repeat)

Sing the verse

That's all there is, (repeat)

There ain't no more, (repeat)

Until I meet (repeat)

That bear once more (repeat)

Sing the verse

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Deep and Wide

Deep and wide, deep and wide
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide
Deep and wide, deep and wide
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide

Motions: Passing game-pass a rock or shoe while you sing the song. When the song ends the girl holding the object is out)

Do your ears hang low?

Do your ears hang low?
Do they wobble to and fro?
Can you tie them in a knot?
Can you tie them in a bow?
Can you throw them over your shoulder
Like a Continental Soldier?
Do your ears hang low?

Chester

Chester (touch chest)
Have you (point to someone)
Heard about Harry (put hand on your hair)
Just got back (touch your back)
From the Army (stretch out arm, bend it back to touch your arm)
He knows (touch your nose)
He needs (touch your knee)
Not face (touch your face)
Defeat (touch your feet)
Hip hip (touch your hip)
Hooray (throw arms in the air)
For the Army (do same motion from above)

IF I WERE NOT A GIRL SCOUT

(Tune- I'm a Little Teapot)

If I were not a Girl Scout, I wonder what I'd be
 If I were not a Girl Scout...
 A bird watcher I'd be
 Hark a lark, flying through the park, SPLAT!

- 2)** Plumber ...Plunge it, flush it, look out below!
- 3)** Carpenter...Two by four nail it to the floor!
- 4)** Teacher...Sit down, shut up, throw away your gum
- 5)** Flight attendant ...Coffee, tea, here's your little bag, BLEH!
- 6)** Farmer...Here's a cow, there's a cow, and here's another yuck!
- 7)** Doctor...Take a pill; pay my bill! I'm going golfing!
- 8)** Electrician...Positive, negative, buzz zap
- 9)** Politician...Raise the taxes and lower the pay, vote for me on Election Day!
- 10)** Pizza maker...30 minute, fast delivery!
- 11)** Preacher ...Well, well, you never can tell; you might go to heaven, or you might go to...
- 12)** Lifeguard...Save yourself, Man. I'm working on my tan!
- 13)** Lawyer...my client wasn't there
- 14)** Engineer...Push the button, push the button, kick the darn machine.
- 15)** Ranger...Get eaten by a bear, see if I care.
- 16)** Leader...Do this, do that, I'm gonna take a nap.

Junior Songs

SARASPONDA

Sarasponda, sarasponda, sarasponda ret set set
 Sarasponda, sarasponda, sarasponda ret set set
 A door a oh, a door a boom day oh
 A door a boom day ret set set
 Atsay patsay oh

I LOVE THE MOUNTAINS

(Sing in a round)

I love the mountains
 I love the rolling hills
 I love the flowers
 I love the daffodils
 I love the fireside
 When the lights are low
 Boom-be-atta, boom-be-atta,
 boom-be-atta, boom-be-atta.

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<p>The Austrian</p> <p>Once an Austrian went yodeling On a mountain so high When along came a turtle dove Interrupting his cry Oh lay Oh Oh lee ah ka kee Oh lee ah coo coo, coo coo Oh lee ah ka kee Oh lee ah coo coo, coo coo Oh lee ah ka kee Oh lee ah coo coo, coo coo Oh lee ah ka kee ah...Oh</p> <p>Other verses</p> <p>Avalanche-swish, swish Grizzly bear-grrr, grrr Dairy cow-tsh, tsh Two Girl Scouts-yak, yak</p>	<p>KOOKABURRA</p> <p>Kookaburra sits on the old gum tree Merry, merry king of the bush is he Laugh, Kookaburra, laugh, Kookaburra Gay your life must be</p> <p>Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree Eating all the gumdrops he can see Stop, Kookaburra, stop, Kookaburra Save some there for me.</p> <p>Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree, Counting all the monkeys he can see, Stop, kookaburra, stop, kookaburra, That's not a monkey, that's me, ha, ha, ha!</p> <p>Kookaburra sits on a rusty nail Gets a boo-boo in his tail Cry, Kookaburra! Cry, kookaburra! Oh how life can be!</p>
<p>I'm Proud to Be ME</p> <p>I'm proud to be me but I also so see You're just as proud to be you. We may look at things a bit differently But lots of good people do. It's just human nature So why should I hate you For being as human as I. We'll live and let live and We'll get as we give and We'll all get along if we try. I'm proud to be me, but I also see You're just as proud to be you 'tis true! You're just as proud to be YOU!</p>	<p>If You're a Girl Scout...</p> <p>If you're a Girl Scout and you know it Clap your hands. If you're a Girl Scout and you know it Clap your hands. If you're a Girl Scout and you know it Then your life will surely show it If you're a Girl Scout and you know it Clap your hands.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clap you hand 2. Stomp you feet 3. Nod your head 4. Show your teeth 5. Say I am 6. Do them all...
<p>Music Shall Live</p> <p>All things shall per from under the sky Music alone shall live Music alone shall live Music alone shall live Never to die (sing as a round)</p>	<p>Simple Song</p> <p>I love to sing a simple song A simple song Cannot go wrong Ping Pong (sing as a round)</p>

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<p>Love Grows Love grows under the wide oak tree Sugar flows like candy Tops of the mountains Shine like gold Gotta keep your little fella sorta handy</p> <p>Dream, dream sweet dream Under the wide oak tree Oh Dream, dream sweet dream All for you and me Oh</p>	<p>Sing Sing, sing, sing Come my friends and sing with me Round out your voices fill the air With music free If you like to hike and play Help folks out along the way Then you should come along my friends And sing with me (sing as a round)</p>
<p>Happiness Runs Happiness runs in a circular motion Love is like a little boat upon the sea Everybody is a part of everything anyway You can be happy if you let yourself be (sing in a round)</p> <p>Slap Bang Slap, bang, here we go again. Here we go again, Here we go again. Slap, bang, here we go again. Jolly good friends are we.</p> <p>We laugh, we sing. We laugh *ha ha* We sing *tra la* Slap, Bang, here we go again. Jolly good friends are we</p> <p>Bang, slap, here we go again Here we go again Here we go again Bang, slap, here we go again Jolly good friends are we</p> <p>We laugh, we sing We laugh ha, ha We sing tra la Bang slap, here we go again Jolly good friends are we</p> <p><i>Actions:</i> SLAP: Clap BANG: Bang elbows on table LAUGH: Hold belly and laugh SING: Opera singer style</p>	<p>Barges</p> <p>Out of my window looking through the night I can see the barges' flickering light Silently flows the river to the sea And the barges they go silently...</p> <p>Barges I would like to go with you I would like to sail the ocean blue Barges have you treasure in your hold Do you fight with pirates brave and bold</p> <p>Out of my window looking through the night I can see the barges' flickering light Starboard shines green and port is glowing red You can see them flickering far ahead... Chorus</p> <p>One of these days and it will not be long You will look for me and I'll be gone Face to the wind far out upon the sea Where the whales and dolphins sing to me... Chorus</p> <p>So out of my window looking through the night I can see the barges' flickering light Silently flows the river to the sea And the barges they go silently... Chorus</p>