

How much will it cost?



PROGRAM LINKS: *Girl Scout Junior Badgebook* (GSUSA, 2001):
The Cookie Connection Badge, Money Sense Badge
Girl Scout Central at www.girlscouts.org, *Awards, Badge and Other Incentives: Cookie Biz Badge*

Get Ready

Materials:

Goal Action Planner; calculators; Internet access or printed information listing costs associated with the girls' goals. If you can hold this meeting in a computer lab, girls will get practice researching costs online.

Preparation:

Print or copy the Goal Action Planner for each girl.

Step 1: Organize

- ① Remind girls of the group goals they have set for the Cookie Season.
- ② Pass out copies of the Goal Action Planner and go over it together.
- ③ Discuss the types of expenses involved with both their fun-and-learning goal and their service goal and guide girls as they fill out the item/activity column on the worksheet.
- ④ Encourage the girls to come up with ways they could work together to find the information and complete the worksheet. They may wish to divide up the categories and work in pairs.
- ⑤ Discuss resources available for them to use.

Step 2: Research

Guide the girls as they determine the cost of each component of their goals and continue to fill out their worksheets.

Step 3: Bottom Line

Girls share information and use calculators to determine the total costs of their Cookie Season goals.

goal planner - budget worksheet

Fun/Learning Goal: _____

Item/Activity	Cost Per Person	X	Number of People	=	Cost
		X		=	
		X		=	
		X		=	
		X		=	
		X		=	
		X		=	
Total Cost					

Service Goal: _____

Item/Activity	Cost
Total Cost	

\$ _____ + \$ _____ = \$ _____
 (Fun / Learning Goal) (Service Goal) (Total Cost of Goal)