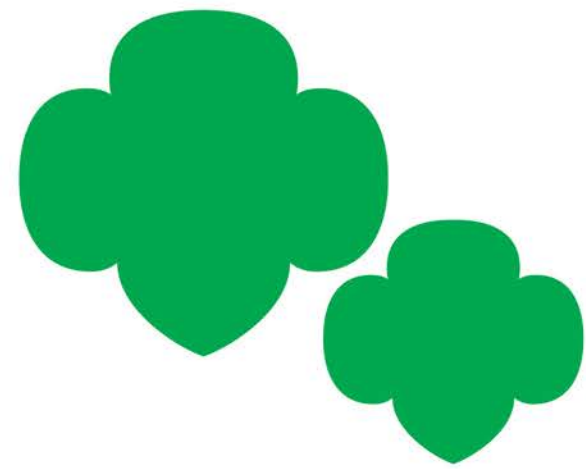


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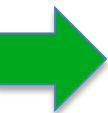


# Welcome to understanding the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE)



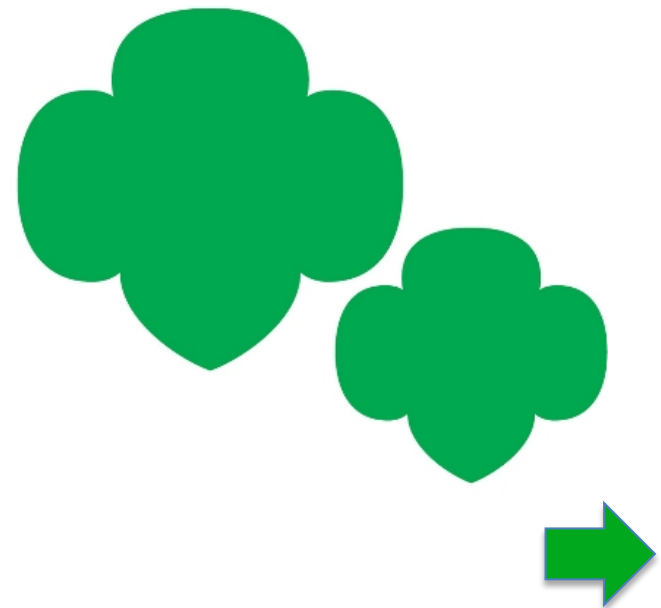
Why are we asking all volunteers to review a session of the GSLE?

- It is part of our Strategic Learning and the Gap team on GSLE goal to educate volunteers on the GSLE
- So we are all on the same page!
- So we are all have the same consistent message!
- So we can understand the difference between what the GS philosophy is and what we use to make it come alive for all: adults and girls



# It starts with you!!!

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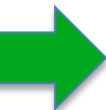
The Girl Scout Leadership Experience is what Girl Scouting believes. It is not just a book (or journey), it is bigger than that. It is a philosophy.

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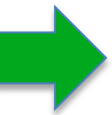
In Girl Scouts, leadership isn't just about building future leaders—it's about building girl leaders for today.

—Kathy Cloninger, CEO, Girl Scouts of the USA

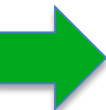
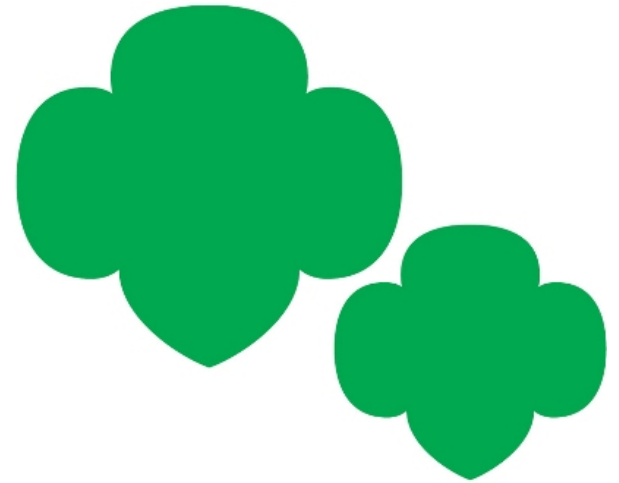


# Let's Define Leadership

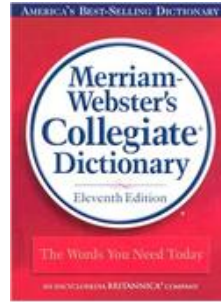
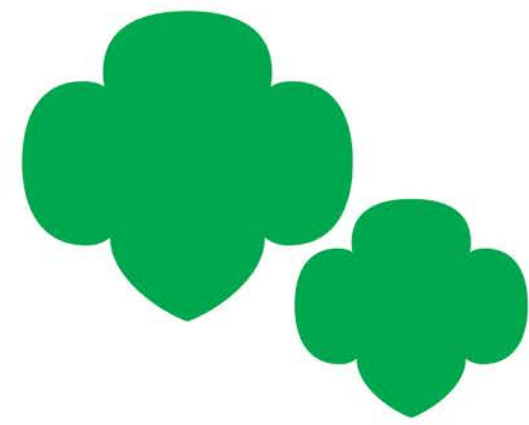
*What does the word leadership mean to you?*



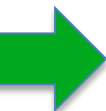
- Here are some shout outs we have had at other sessions:
- Take Charge!
- Build a Team!
- Communication!
- Reaching a Common Goal!



# Webster's Definition of Leadership



- Process of social influence in which one person can enlist the aid and support of others in the accomplishment of a common task.
- Leadership is the art of motivating a group of people to act toward achieving a common goal.

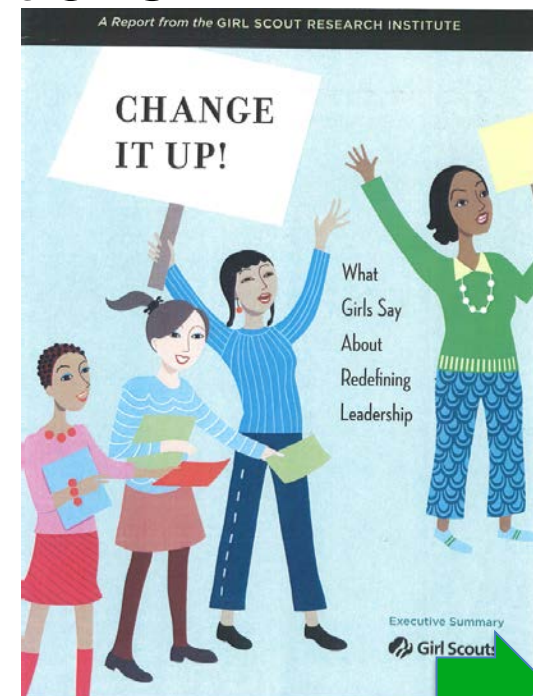


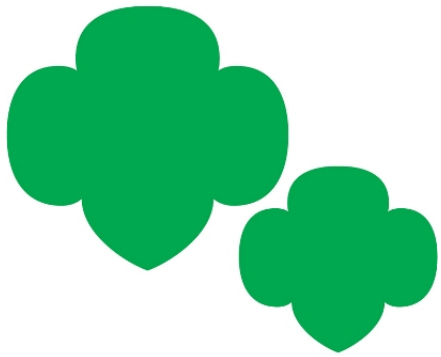
# Research from the Girl Scout Research Institute

## What Girls Say About Redefining Leadership

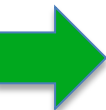
- According to the research published in 2008, girls preferred definitions of leadership imply personal principles, ethical behavior and the ability to effect social change.
- Girls emphasize what leadership should be used for, rather than focusing on specific roles or positions.
- They said that a leader is someone who: “brings people together to get things done” and “stands up for his or her beliefs and values.”

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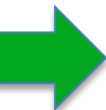
How close do these definitions match up to what your definition of leadership means?



# In the GSLE, there are 3 Keys to Leadership

**Can you name them?**

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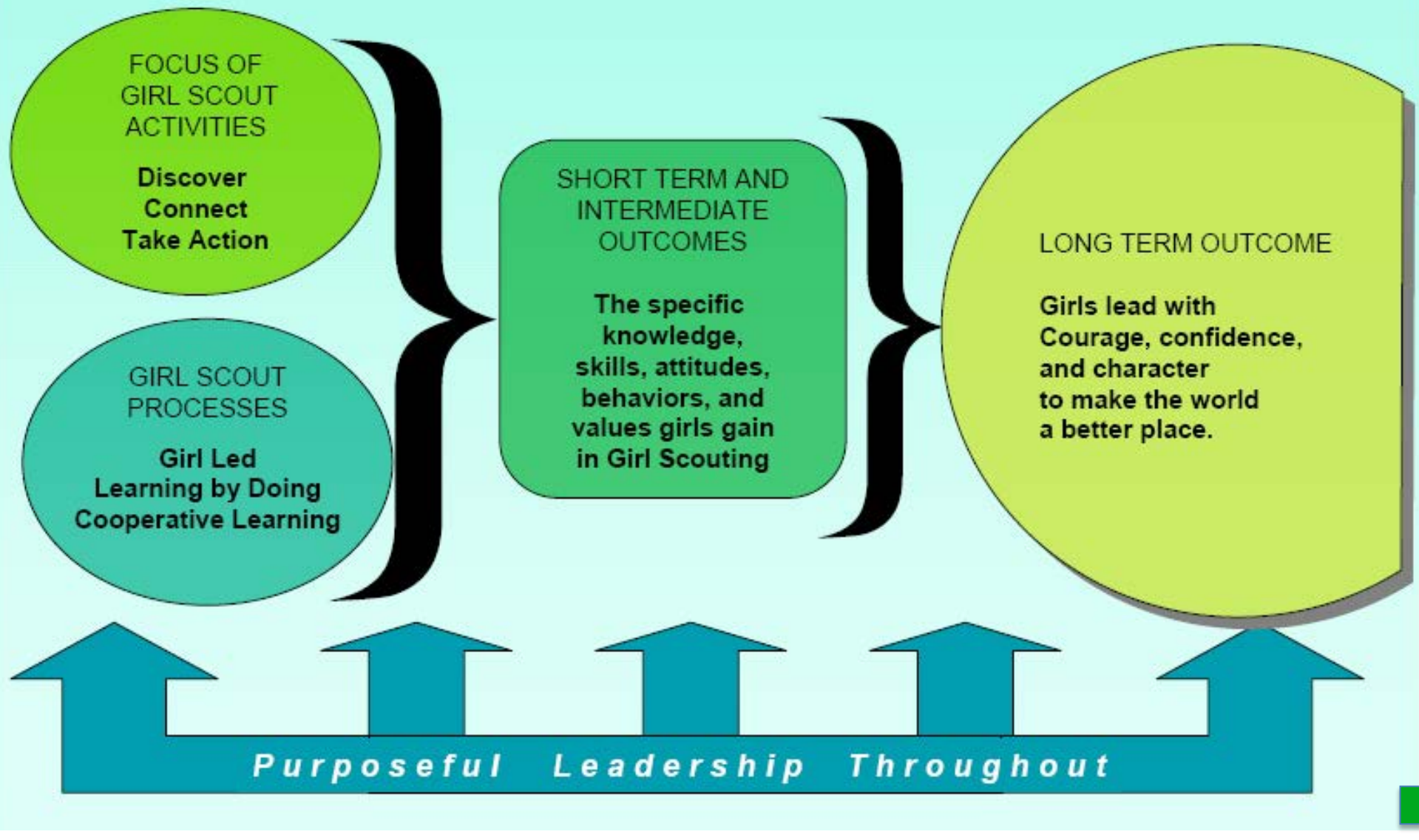


**Leadership keys**

**Discover:** Girls understand themselves and their values and use their knowledge and skills to explore the world

**Connect:** Girls care about, inspire, and team with others locally and globally

**Take Action:** Girls act to make the world a **better** place.





## Three Keys to Leadership

- Discover
- Connect
- Take Action



# How are They Defined?

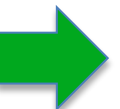
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- We have a good definition of Leadership and the three keys to make it happen...so how do we put it all together so all will know what we stand for?

- And how do we all convey the same message about the GSLE?

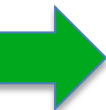


# Our Elevator Speech

We are a girl-led leadership program where girls discover who they are, connect with others and take action to make the world a better place.



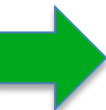
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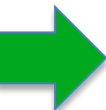


## **How will you incorporate the GLSE into your work?**

The Girl Scout philosophy – discover + connect + take action – implies that leadership happens from the inside out. It stresses the importance of embracing who you are, connecting with others and working collaboratively to make things better for all.



All volunteers should be purposeful in their leadership – that as girls learn to be leaders, the volunteer's thoughts, enthusiasm, and approach will be a key influence on the girls.

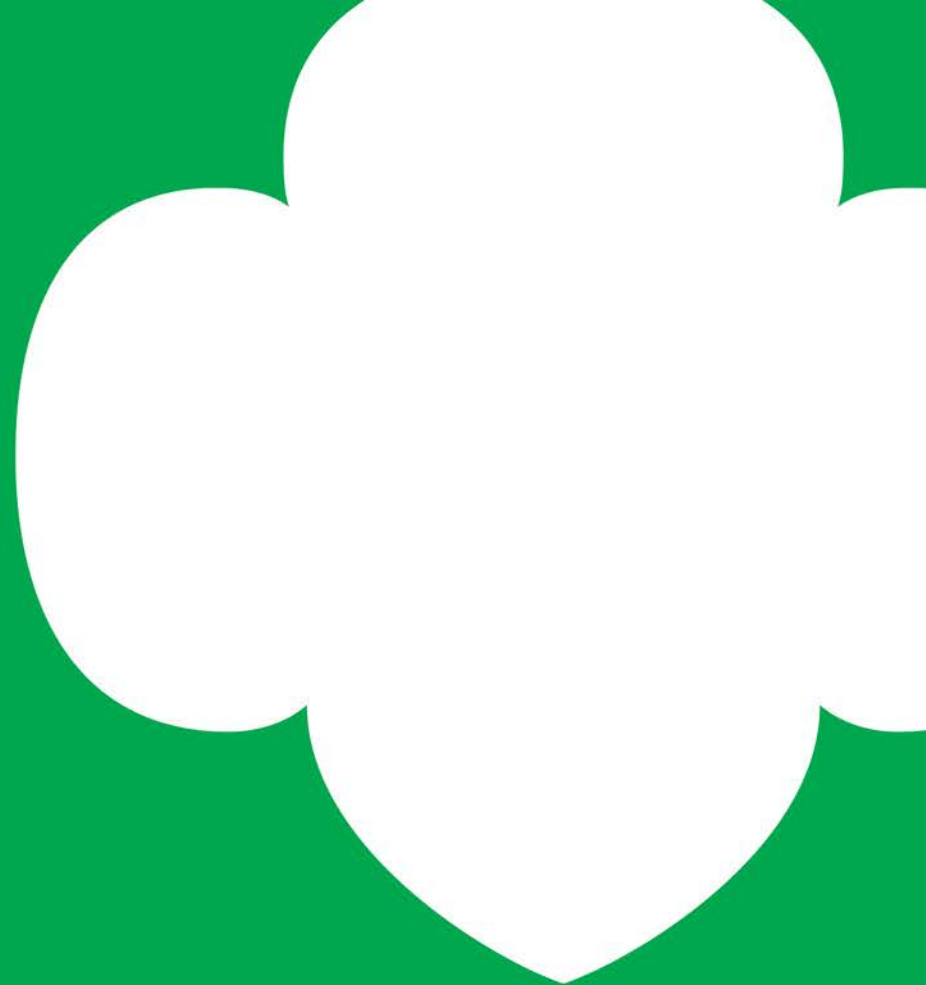




By living the GSLE we are also fulfilling our Mission Statement:

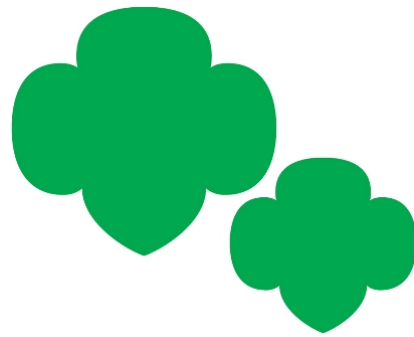
**Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.**



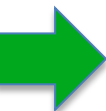


*Let's Review*





- Leadership is the art of motivating a group of people to act toward achieving a common goal
- Leadership is a tool to get things done
- A leader is someone who brings people together to get things done
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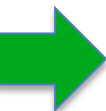
- Discover
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*Let's Review* continued:

- Find a way to incorporate Discover, Connect and Take Action into your Girl Scout program.

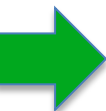


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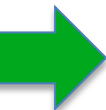
- Know our elevator speech:

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*Let's Review* continued:

Click [here](#) to print off handout which includes the GSEIWI elevator speech and the benefits of the GSLE





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