

Girl Scouts

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Girl Scouts. What do you think about when you hear those words? For me I think of lasting friendships, life skills, and just plain fun. Many people will never understand the benefits Girl Scouts can bring to your life but I do and soon you will too.

Lasting friendships, could I think of anything cornier? But really it's true. Girl Scouts bring girls together, bonding over a campfire or staying up late to tell scary stories. In Girl Scouts you sign up and join a certain troop, this troop becomes your sisterhood. I spend more time with my troop then I do with most of my "at school friends" mainly because it's just so easy. I go to meetings every other week and when I get there the smiling faces of girls I've known since second grade are they're waiting for the fun to begin. Most of us come from different backgrounds and different ideals and religions making it all that much more fun. We have conflicting ideas but it doesn't cause us to fight instead we learn from the difference and become better friends because of it. It teaches you acceptance and values traits most people in this world could learn from all the while having the time of your lives with your best friends in the whole wide world. My sisters and I (my troop) have decided when we become seniors and in our last year of high school we are going to take a major trip to somewhere like Ireland. We all just can't wait!

Belonging. Isn't that something we all want out of this world? I know I do for sure. Statistics show that suicide has become third in most common death causes in preteen and teenagers. Girl Scouts make girls feel like their part of something and that they belong. Everyone is appreciated and accepted for who they are whomever they are. You can be whomever you want you can be the outdoors girl, the active girl, the camping girl, the silly girl, the fun girl, the smart girl, etc WHATEVER YOU WANT! Girl Scouts also creates leadership skills. I have been in Girl Scouts since the age of four and I absolutely love it. Starting middle school most girls quit, as it supposedly was no longer "cool". But please tell me can you describe the meaning of cool. An exact definition? I didn't think so. Sticking with Girl Scouts has been hard come boys or homework I've done it. No matter how difficult it may seem at the time I always know it's worth it. Later in

life you'll need to have that same determination. In Girl Scouts you need to know how to become a good leader or better yet learn how to become good leader. You help younger troops and guide your friends along the right paths. You also not only have to be a leader in your friends and other girls' lives but your own. You have to take charge and live everyday to the fullest. Girl Scouts does just that helps you live your life to the fullest but that, that's for my next paragraph.

Girl Scouts are so predictable as many people see it. But Girl Scouts isn't all about patches, camping, and selling cookies. Although those things do play a big part in Girl Scouts we do so much more. A couple of summers ago we went to North Carolina and stayed in a cabin we mined and did a ton of activities and games. Last summer we went to Disney and rode all the rides. Besides all the trips, which are amazing, we also do a lot of crafts, which I know everyone loves. There are also a lot of activities you can take that are related to Girl Scouts just last week I got certified in CPR and first aid. And I'm now joining a Girl Scout choir with a girl in my troop. It seems like it's going to be a lot of fun. If that doesn't already sound like a lot of fun trust me there's more. We go to the humane society, the soup kitchen, the mall, and the salon. You know you want to join.

Girl Scouting is the perfect activity for any girl no matter your age. Join today and soon you'll be writing an essay just like me for pure enjoyment explaining the perfect qualities of your new found love.....What have you done lately? Me I can name things that aren't all about self centered teenage things such as shopping or gossiping I can say that I'm helping girls of all ages and making the world a better place. Whether making the world a better place means picking up trash on the beach, turning of the lights when I leave, or mentoring a girl. I know I am making a difference. I'm making the world a better place. What have you done lately?

