# **Elevator Pitch Activity**

**Girl Scout Cookie™ Activity** 



#### Going up!

Girl Scouts build confidence and people skills when they practice their elevator pitch, a tried-and-true tool of successful businesswomen.

### **Supplies:**

- Elevator pitch template
- List of possible customer responses
- Pencils or markers
- Scissors

#### **Steps**

- 1 Cut out the possible customer responses, and then fold and place them in a small container.
- Ask girls to imagine they are in an elevator with a potential customer. How will they quickly convince a customer to buy Girl Scout Cookies® before the door opens and the customer leaves?
- 3 Invite girls to discuss important points that should be in their pitches, such as:
  - Greet the customer
  - Share your goals
  - Ask them to buy Girl Scout Cookies
  - Tell the customer a little about the different varieties
  - Suggest donating cookies if you have a Girl Scouts<sup>®</sup> Gift of Caring project
  - Close the sale
- 4 Challenge girls to write their own elevator pitches on their templates. Remind them to include the important points, but to also add some personal touches, like a mention of their favorite varieties.

- 5 Invite girls to practice their sales pitches with one another.
- 6 Ask each girl to take a turn drawing one of the customer responses, reading it aloud to the group and providing a possible response.
- 7 Encourage girls to discuss different ways to respond. Guide the group in choosing the best responses.











## Possible customer responses:

I would love to buy some!

I might be interested, but I'm very busy right now.

Sure, but I never know what kind to get.

I'm sorry, but we don't have enough money right now.

I don't know. My mom isn't home.

I'd like to help you out, but I'm trying to cut down on sweets.

I'd like to buy a few packages for my wife. She loves chocolate.

These are my family's favorite cookies. I wish we could have them all year.

Sure, come in while I decide which kinds to buy.\*

What is the money from the Girl Scout Cookie Program<sup>o</sup> used for?

Unsafe scenario: Make sure Girl Scouts follow safety guidelines in scenarios like these. Review GSUSA guidelines at girlscouts.org.

