

Topic: Storyteller

Badge: Scribe

Suggested Supplies: collection of books, pens, pencils, paper (copy paper or notebook paper), Poster Board (good to have but not needed)

Steps/Activities:

- Step1 (Pick 1 option or do both!)
 - Book Spine Poetry
 - Take books from around your home and stack them up with the spines facing you. Arrange them in the order you want to make a fun little poem! For an extra challenge, see how many poems you can make up by putting the books in different orders.
 - Write your own Poem! (pick one of these kinds of poems and make your own!)
 - Write a Haiku: Haiku's are 3 lined Japanese poems (they also follow a patter, 5 syllables, 7 syllables, and then 5 again). They are often about nature. Below is an example:
 - An old silent pond/a frog jumps into the pond/splash!
 Silence again.
 - Write a limerick: these are Irish poems of five lines. They rhyme and are usually funny! Below is an example:
 - There was an Old Man with a beard/Who said, "It is just as I feared!?Two Owls and a Hen/Four Larks and a Wren/Have all built their nests in my beard!"
 - Write a free-verse poem: free verse means you write your poem with any number of lines, and any number of syllables in a line...you create a poem in your own style!
- o Step 2
 - Write a one-page story about yourself!
 - Get a poster board or a few pieces of paper; write down three ideas of topics you can use. You want these to be about you; it could be about a favorite memory, a day at school, or a troop meeting!
 - Pick one of these ideas and write a one-page story.

 Make sure these have good details; things like size, shape, smell, taste, and what you were feeling. You want to create a picture for whoever reads your story!

o Step 3

- Write a 150 essay about something you are passionate about.
 - What do you love, what do you dislike, what do for fun, what are you proud of, or maybe something unusual that happened to you. Make sure your essay has an introduction, middle, and a good ending.

o Step 4

- Write an article about something that has happened in Girl Scouts, at school, in your family, or in your community!
 - Look at a few different online or magazine articles for inspiration.
 - Have fun with it, pretend you are a journalist or news anchor reporting a news story!
 - Make sure you include the answers to these questions: Who, what, when, where, and why?

o Step 5

- Tell the world what you think by writing an essay!
 - Unlike an article, an essay is a chance for you to share your thoughts and feelings. Write a two-page essay about one of these things. Try and include the who, what, when, why, where in your essay!
 - Write about a favorite animal
 - Write about a place you would like to visit
 - Write about your favorite book