



Her Story - Laura Ingalls Wilder Patch Program

Purpose:

This patch program was developed to encourage girls to think about the past. By exploring her story, girls can learn about themselves and reflect on what stories they are making today, tomorrow and in the future.

Requirements:

Daisies: Do 2 discover, 1 connect, and 1 take action
Brownies: Do 3 discover, 1 connect, and 1 take action
Juniors: Do 4 discover, 1 connect, and 2 take action
Cadettes: Do 4 discover, 1 connect, and 2 take action

Discover

1. Visit a historical site or exhibit featuring life in the 1880's or design your own exhibit researching important events from Laura's life and share it. Compare what you learn and see to what you know about Laura's life. You can take the tours in person or take a virtual tour online.
2. Cook a meal over a campfire or bake bread from an old recipe that Laura's family might have used.
3. Hand-sew a simple sunbonnet, apron or patchwork square.
4. Learn about the history of the Conestoga wagon. View an authentic covered wagon or find pictures of a covered wagon and create a model from wood, paper, or other materials.
5. What toys did children in Laura's time have and play with? Find modern day examples of these and make a list of them. Check your local library or on-line for information.
6. Using only natural items make a craft that Laura's family may have made.

Connect

1. With your family, troop or by yourself, read at least two books in the "Little House" series. Share with your family, friends, or another troop how Laura's life is similar and different from yours.
2. Play 2 games that Laura played at school. Examples might include: Uncle John, Ring-Around The-Rosey and Bean-Porridge Hot. Teach these games to someone else.

Take Action

1. Plant a garden and grow vegetables like Laura's family did. Donate the produce to a local food pantry.
2. Develop a service project that connects you to Laura Ingalls Wilder.
3. Donate your time to helping at a local charity stocking toys and other items.

