

ME-Bear for Sparks & Brownies

Program Tie-In: Being A Spark – Additional Activity (Getting to Know You game)
Key to Brownies – Getting To Know You

Approx. Time: 15 minutes for colouring
15 minutes for discussion afterwards

Equipment Needed: 1 bear picture per girl
coloured markers or pencil crayons

- 1.) How many years have you been a Spark/Brownie?
If this is your first year, colour the bow tie orange.
If this is your second year, colour the bow tie blue.
- 2.) What kind of Girl Guide cookies do you like more?
If you like the mint kind better, colour the hands green.
If you like the chocolate/vanilla kind better, colour the hands yellow.
- 3.) Do you have brothers or sisters?
If you have only brothers, colour the feet blue.
If you have only sisters, colour the feet pink.
If you have both brothers and sisters, or none at all, colour the feet red.
- 4.) What do you like to do best at Sparks/Brownies?
If you like crafts best, colour the ears purple.
If you like games best, colour the ears brown.
If you like singing songs best, colour the ears orange.
- 5.) Colour the tummy your favourite colour.

Discussion

The real value in this activity comes from the “debriefing” afterwards when the girls get to examine each other’s bear pictures. Some ways of doing this are:

- Have the girls stand in a circle and hold their bears in front of themselves. Ask the girls what similarities/differences they see. e.g. Are there a lot of orange bow ties compared to blue ones? What’s the most popular colour for the ears (indicating the most popular activity)? Or is it evenly distributed? etc.
- You can have the girls walk around with their bears. Ask them to find a partner that has at least 1 (or 2 or 3, etc.) colours the same as theirs. Can they find more girls to add to their group?

