

# INTERNET PATCH PROGRAM

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Juniors

**PURPOSE:** To give girls a greater understanding and appreciation of the Internet, World Wide Web, technology of today and tomorrow, and women's place in it- to learn the advances and advantages of today's technology and where it can take them in the future.

## **INTERNET PATCH REQUIREMENTS:**

This is a group or an individual patch. You must complete the three (3) starred activities and at least four (4) of the other activities. You also must fill in the evaluation/order form to get your patches. Patches can be mail order or picked up at GSCBC.

**Everyone completing the patch must complete activity #1, the safety guidelines for using the Internet, before doing any of the other patch activities. Leader or designated adult should accompany the girls on their Internet adventures.**

- \*1. Learn about online safety and how to be "street smart" on the information superhighway. With your parent or leader, visit <http://www.safekids.com> and read the information about child safety on the Internet. There's even a fun Safety Quiz you may like to try together. Make your own troop or individual poster or sign showing "MY RULES FOR ONLINE SAFETY." Keep them posted by your computer anytime you will be working on your patch. If you need additional ideas for your poster, go to:  
<http://www.bergen.org/gscobc/justforgirls/index.php?page=pledge>
- \*2. Complete the crossword puzzle of "on-line terms" in this packet.
- \*3. Visit **several** Girl Scout areas on the web such as:
  - a. GSCBC- **type** <http://bergen.org/gscobc> Find the email link and send us your comments!
  - b. GSUSA- **type** <http://www.girlscouts.org/>  
Look for *Just for Girls!* - YOUR website for Junior Girl Scouts at GSUSA! Make a list of three great things about this site.
  - c. Other councils' web sites... Alaska- (<http://www.juneau.com/girlscouts>) and Hawaii- (<http://www.girlscouts-hawaii.org/>), are really neat... You can make these connections or others at the GSUSA site by simply clicking on "Council Sites" or by typing the URL in your browser window. Visit several different sites and keep a log of what you learned. Many councils offer patches for sale. This is a nice idea if the troop budget will allow. Patches could be purchased individually or by the troop for a banner to show "LOOK WHERE WE'VE BEEN IN CYBERSPACE!" or simply compare Girl Scouting in these different areas.
- 4. Go directly to a web site using an appropriate URL. Several appropriate sites are included to help leaders/adults. Keep a list about what you have explored at the site. What made it interesting? What did you like or dislike about it? Share with your troop.
- 5. Search for information on a specific topic using a search engine. This would be a great way to research for a Badge or Interest Patch. Print something that you have researched.

[www.yahooligans.com](http://www.yahooligans.com) or [www.ajkids.com](http://www.ajkids.com) are two **safe** search engines when kids are searching alone. If searching with an adult, [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) is a good search engine.

6. Research Women in Technology and Technology in Girl Scouting. A good place to start this search would be at the GSUSA web site. Make a list of at least 3 women who had a direct impact on today's technology.
7. Send an e-mail to someone you know...even if it is a co-leader, family friend or GSCBC! You can e-mail us at: [gscobc@bergen.org](mailto:gscobc@bergen.org) Many Council sites encourage e-mail after a visit. Look for the address and let them know how you enjoyed their page. Make sure to include a subject and know "why" this is important in an email.
8. Find a web page that is environmentally "friendly." Pick something from this page that you are interested in and do it! OR find a page that has an idea for a service project and do it with your troop. (Page ideas are included in Great Places To Go list)
9. Find one person, family, friend or neighbor, who has created a web page. Invite this person to a meeting to talk about this.
10. Compile a list of web sites that you would recommend to other Girl Scouts that are fun or interesting. Ask friends, family, troop members to visit them and then answer these questions: What makes it so appealing? How was it helpful? Was there anything you disliked about the site? If you were going to design a web site, what would it include?
11. Finally, please fill in the attached form to let us know what you did to complete our patch. There are two options for getting patches:

Fill out the evaluation/order form and bring it to GSCBC, 300 Forest Ave., Paramus, NJ with payment of \$1.25 per patch.

Fill out the evaluation/order form and mail it to GSCBC, 300 Forest Ave., Paramus, NJ 07652 with payment of \$2.25 per patch (shipping and handling included)

# Evaluation/Order Form for GSCBC Internet Patch Program

(web only)

The Internet Patch Program was completed by (circle one) an individual a troop/group.

If completed by an individual, who was the adult accompanying you while on the web?

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Check the following as you complete it: (these are the starred\* requirements)

\_\_\_\_\_ My parent and/or leader and I visited the Safe Kids website

\_\_\_\_\_ I (we) have created the safety poster(s)

\_\_\_\_\_ I (we) have completed the crossword puzzle of "online terms"

\_\_\_\_\_ I (we) have visited several Girl Scout sites. Our favorites were:

Please list the other 4 requirements that you completed and any information that was requested in that requirement. (use the back of this form if necessary)

**Please bring this form with you if you are picking up your patches:**

\_\_\_\_\_ patches @ \$1.25 each. Total amount: \_\_\_\_\_

~OR~

Please mail this form with full payment to Internet Patch Program, GSCBC, 300 Forest Ave., Paramus, NJ 07652

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ patches @ \$2.25 (shipping/handling included) mailed to me at:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

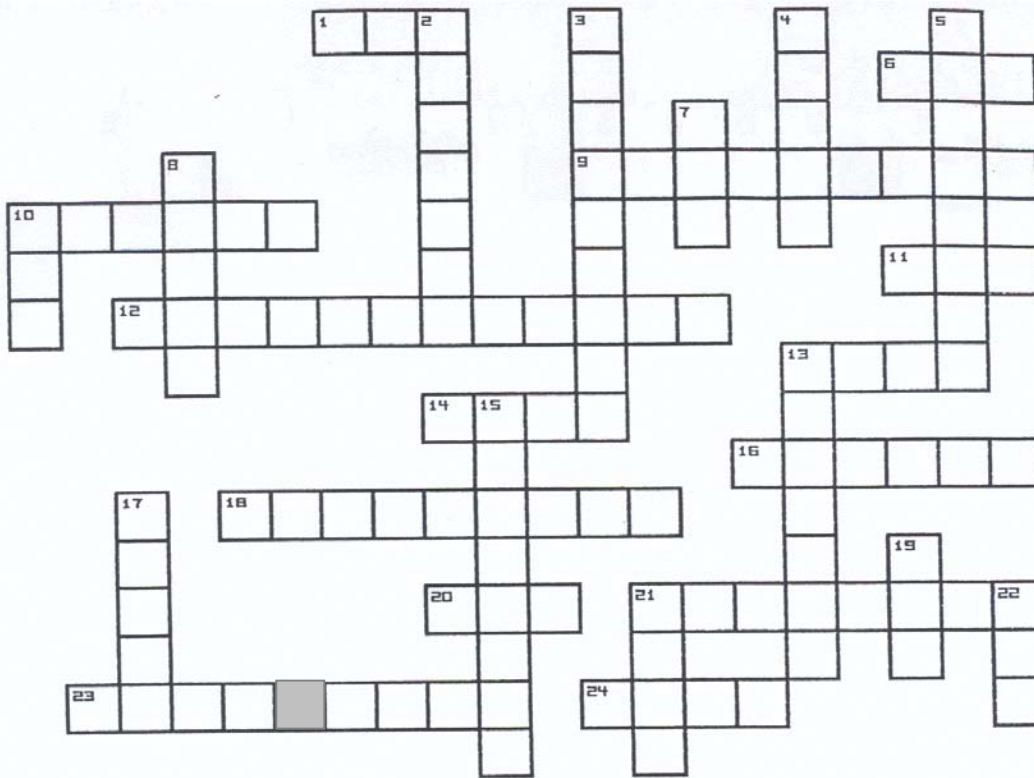
Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

## Great, Safe Places To Go Online

<p><b>Search Engines for Kids</b> When searching w/o an adult, be sure to use these safe search engines:</p> <p><a href="http://www.yahooligans.com">www.yahooligans.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ajkids.com">www.ajkids.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.rcls.org/ksearch.htm">http://www.rcls.org/ksearch.htm</a></p> <p><a href="http://kidsclick.org">http://kidsclick.org</a></p>	<p><b>News, Sports, Fun</b> CNN <a href="http://www.cnn.com">www.cnn.com</a></p> <p>New Jersey Online <a href="http://www.nj.com">www.nj.com</a></p> <p>ESPN <a href="http://www.espn.com">www.espn.com</a></p> <p>American Girl Magazine <a href="http://www.americangirl.com">www.americangirl.com</a></p> <p>Crayola <a href="http://www.crayola.com">www.crayola.com</a></p> <p>Wacky Web Tales <a href="http://www.eduplace.com/tales/index.html">www.eduplace.com/tales/index.html</a></p> <p>A Game a Day <a href="http://www.agameaday.com">http://www.agameaday.com</a></p>
<p><b>Environmentally Friendly Sites</b></p> <p>National Wildlife Federation <a href="http://www.nwf.org">www.nwf.org</a></p> <p>World Wildlife Fund <a href="http://www.worldwildlife.org">www.worldwildlife.org</a></p> <p>Sea Turtle Page <a href="http://www.turtles.org">www.turtles.org</a></p> <p>US Fish and Wildlife Service (kids page) <a href="http://endangered.fws.gov/kids/how_help.htm">http://endangered.fws.gov/kids/how_help.htm</a></p> <p>Audubon Society <a href="http://www.audubon.org">www.audubon.org</a></p> <p>Planet Pals <a href="http://www.planetpals.com/index.html">http://www.planetpals.com/index.html</a></p>	<p><b>Easy Games to or Games to Share with Younger Scouts</b></p> <p>Seussville <a href="http://www.seussville.com">www.seussville.com</a></p> <p>PBS Kids <a href="http://pbskids.org">http://pbskids.org</a></p> <p>GusTown <a href="http://www.gustown.com">www.gustown.com</a></p> <p>Fun Brain <a href="http://www.funbrain.com">www.funbrain.com</a></p> <p>Candy Stand <a href="http://www.candystand.com">www.candystand.com</a></p> <p><b>This site gives you OODLES of great sites!</b> <a href="http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/greatwebsites/greatwebsiteskids.htm">www.ala.org/ala/alsc/greatwebsites/greatwebsiteskids.htm</a></p>

Use this list to help with some ideas! Bookmark the ones you like... tell us about ones we've missed. Have fun and STAY SAFE!!

Print out and complete this Internet Crossword Puzzle!



**Across Clues**

1. World Wide Web
6. Abbrev. for commercial in URL
9. Symbols to show emotion in email
10. To transfer files from your computer out to the Internet
11. Period used in URL before file extension
12. Web site that helps you find things on the World Wide Web
13. Modem Speed for data transfer
14. Word or image connecting you elsewhere (when you click on it)
16. Mini "spy program" that tracks web activity
18. Name for underlined text that links you elsewhere
20. Abbrev. for organization in URL
21. First page in a web site
23. Your ID assigned by your ISP (two words)
24. Abbrev. for Hypertext Markup Language

**Down clues**

2. Computer file at a certain address
3. Full name of a link that connects things on the Internet
4. Electronic Mail
5. Copy files from Internet locations to your computer
7. Abbrev. for government in a URL
8. Hardware that connects your computer to the Internet using phone lines
10. Uniform Resource Locator
13. Software that allows you to browse the WWW
15. Information network started in the 1960s
17. Instructions secretly sent to your computer to harm your computer or disrupt your files
19. Abbrev. for Frequently Asked Questions
21. Abbrev. for Hypertext Transfer Protocol
22. Abbrev. for an educational institution in a URL

**WORD LIST**

baud  
browser  
com  
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edu  
emoticons  
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