

BC GIRL GUIDES GEOCACHING CHALLENGE



Geocaching is an outdoor treasure-hunting game in which the participants use a Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver or other navigational techniques to hide and seek containers (called "geocaches" or "caches") anywhere in the world. A typical cache is a small waterproof container containing a logbook and "treasure," usually toys or trinkets of little value. Today, well over 540,000 geocaches are registered on various websites devoted to the pastime. Geocaches are currently placed in over 100 countries around the world and on all seven continents, including Antarctica.

The purpose of this challenge is to get guiders and girls to try a new outdoor activity and learn about GPS units in a fun way. To complete this challenge and earn the BC Girl Guides Geocaching Challenge crest please complete all sections of the challenge for your branch and mail the slip below to Girl Guides of Canada - BC Geocaching Challenge 1476 West 8th Avenue, Vancouver, BC, V6H 1E1.

CHALLENGE

Sparks & Brownies:

- A. Learn about geocaching...
 - When did it begin?
 - Where is the very first geocache located?
- B. Go Geocaching...
 - Find a cache in your neighborhood and log your find on www.geocaching.com.

Guides & Pathfinders:

- A. Learn about geocaching & GPS's ...
 - When did it begin?
 - Who created the term geocaching?
 - Where is the very first geocache located?
 - How do GPS's work?
- B. Go Geocaching...
 - Find two caches (a micro and regular cache) in your neighborhood and log your find, create a cache with your unit and post it **OR** send out a travel bug or geocoin into the world and track its progress on www.geocaching.com.

Rangers & Adults:

- A. Learn about geocaching & GPS's ...
 - When did it begin?
 - What is Selective Availability and why was getting rid of it important to geocaching?
 - Where is the very first geocache located?
 - How do GPS's work?
- B. Go Geocaching...
 - Find two caches (a micro and regular cache) in your neighborhood and log your find on www.geocaching.com
 - Create a cache with your unit and post it **OR** send out a travel bug or geocoin into the world and track its progress on www.geocaching.com.
 - Create a geocache hunt meeting for a local Spark, Brownie, Guide or Pathfinder unit.

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Please list the coordinates of the geocache(s) (i.e. N 49° 15.317 W 123° 14.669) you found and/or created and the Travel Bug or Geocoin number (i.e. TB18N93) that you released on the slip.

Guider's Name:		Unit & Area:	
Number of Crests:		Shipping Address:	
Phone Number:		E-mail:	
Cache(s) Found:		Cache Created or TB/Geocoin Released:	