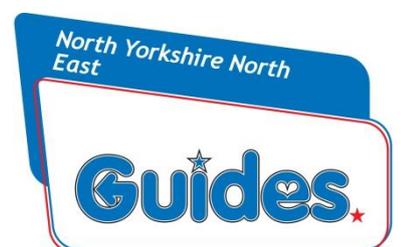




Girlguiding North Yorkshire North East County



International Virtual Escapades – Guides





Welcome to Girlguiding North Yorkshire North East's International Virtual Escapades badge, Guide edition.

Due to the covid pandemic in 2020/2021, all Girlguiding international travel and international opportunities came to an abrupt stop. We now need to start again and build up enthusiasm for international travel and opportunities within Girlguiding North Yorkshire North East.

In order to do this, we want to raise awareness of international Guiding and opportunities for all our members from Rainbows upwards and what better way to do this than have a special badge!

To really spark interest in international opportunities, we suggest you try and find a member who has been abroad with Girlguiding to come and talk to your unit about the amazing time they had. Hearing experiences first hand is often the best way and wouldn't it be amazing if a current Guide joins an international opportunity in a few years' time after she was inspired by someone coming to talk to her unit!

International Virtual Escapades is a badge for all sections with the idea that girls can complete the badge in each section they are in. We have linked the badge to the programme as much as possible to make it easy for units to complete.

We appreciate units have a limited amount of time but if your unit is looking for a residential idea, why not use this badge and run a virtual international event for your unit from some venue in the UK? We challenge you to be as adventurous and realistic as you can be from the comfort of your unit meeting place/holiday venue. There are all sorts of virtual city tours/tours of buildings etc on the internet to help give the girls a realistic virtual international trip!

How to complete the badge

Your Guide unit is challenged to plan a weekend virtual international trip to a worldwide city. You need to think about everything you need to do to make this trip happen.

To complete the challenge, as a minimum you have to complete the two compulsory challenges, two other gold challenges and then any four other activities to fit in with your programme.

How to buy the badge

Please use the badge order form at the back of the pack. There are round centre badges and a badge with your section name to buy.



The Challenges



Compulsory Challenge - Where Are You Going To Go?

As a Guide unit you need to decide which worldwide city you are going to visit. How you choose this is up to you, perhaps each patrol could choose a different city, promote why their choice is the best and then take a vote?

Galactic Getaway (Have Adventure UMA - Out of this world)

With so many planets to choose from, where should you go on holiday next? Find the perfect destination for an intergalactic break.

Compulsory Challenge - International Guiding

Investigate if there are Guide units in the country you have chosen. What are they called? Find out about their uniform, promise, badges, programme etc. Check out the WAGGGS website - <https://www.wagggs.org/en/> Find out about International Community Experience (ICE) for Guides aged 11 - 13 years and how you can get involved. <https://girlguidingnortheast.org.uk/useful-information/international-community-experience-ice/>

House of Guiding (Know Myself UMA - Get Guiding)

When you join guiding, you become part of a worldwide family, and the largest women's organisation on the planet. Find out exactly where you fit in to Guiding.

World Centre Welcome (Know Myself UMA - Guiding Traditions)

Guiding exists in over 140 countries, and WAGGGS has five world centres around the globe. Guiding members like you can visit them and earn unique badges. Test your World Centre knowledge and get planning an event to welcome international Guides visiting the UK.

How Are You Going To Get There?

You need to think about all the possible ways you can travel to your chosen city - for example - coach, train, aeroplane, boat or a combination of all! - Think about how long it will take to get there and what is the best method of travel.

International Explorer (Know Myself UMA - Get Guiding)

Where in the world would you like to visit? Try out these taster activities to get you thinking about where you could go as Guides





Wish You Were Here (Have Adventure SB - Explore Stage 4)

Exploring new places is always exciting, you'll have the best possible time if you're prepared for your new adventure - find out how!

Conquer contours (Have Adventure SB - Explore Stage 4)

Ain't no mountain high enough to stop you from reading a map. Find out all about contour lines to become a map reading expert.

Root out the way (Have Adventures SB - Explore Stage 5)

Do you realise you can use trees as a compass? Put the maps away and find out how to follow nature's signposts.

G.P. Yes! (Have Adventures SB - Explore Stage 5)

It's time to get technological! Use GPS to navigate your way and know your longitude from your latitude.



What about Luggage?

When you have decided how you are going to travel, the Guides need to think about the best sort of luggage to use - rucksack, suitcase or holdall. Will you be limited with weight and size of your luggage? Prepare a kit list of everything you are going to need - don't forget teddy!

Temperature Terror (Be Well SB - Stage 4 First Aid)

Stuck in the desert or lost on the tundra? Find out the first aid responses for illnesses caused by extreme weather.

Wash it Off (Have Adventures SB - Explore Stage 5)

Ever thought about taking a bath in a muddy swamp? Probably not! Discover how to stay clean while exploring.



Warm in the Wild (Have Adventure UMA - Survival Skills)

Staying warm in the wilderness is essential to surviving! Can you build a fire to keep you warm and help you survive?

HELP (Have Adventure UMA - Survival Skills)

Dangerous situations can escalate quickly in the wilderness, so being prepared is essential. In this activity, discover and practise some of the different survival positions.





What Food Will You Eat?

You need to plan a menu for the time you are away, don't forget to think about food while you are travelling. Include as much local food and menus as you can - taste some food from the country you have chosen.

Get Your Snack On! (Have Adventures SB - Stage 4 Explore)

Your body is like an engine. It needs fuel to keep going. Keep your energy levels up with these adventure-ready snacks!

Catch of the Day (Have Adventures UMA - Survival Skills)

Finding food in the wild isn't easy. Build your own fishing net to help you out.

What Are You Going To Do?

Plan your itinerary for while you are in the city. What are the famous sites to see? Why not try to find some free virtual tours of the famous sites which you can watch during your unit meeting? What are you going to do in the evenings? How much can you fit in but still have some free time?

Communicating

Learn some essential words for the country you are visiting like hello, goodbye, please, thank you, help, my name is.....

Explorer's Handbook (Have Adventure SB - Explore Stage 5)

From early explorers documenting new lands and discoveries to vloggers sharing their travel - join the tradition of recording your adventure.

Cost of the Trip

How much will your trip cost? Challenge the girls to find out how much different parts of the trip would cost - they should be able to find this on the internet. Think about the cost of food and spending money.

Does the country use the Euro or do they still have their own currency? What is the exchange rate? Work out the equivalent values to our currency. Can you show the girls the currency?

Groups often fundraise when planning an international trip. Talk about ways you could fund raise for your trip. Why not try out one of your ideas and hold a fundraising evening and donate the proceeds to the World Thinking Day Fund or a local charity of your unit's choice.





Global Action

Think global - act local. Global travel is exciting and full of adventure but as with everything we do, there is an environmental impact. Can you think of something to do locally to off-set the carbon emissions given when undertaking international travel?

Global Goalie (Take Action UMA - Save the Planet)

How much do you care about protecting your future? Find out about global challenges, which ones are the most important to you and make a plan to take action.

Litter Lotto (Take Action UMA - Community Action)

Litter is unpleasant to look at and can harm the local environment and wildlife. Take action to clean up your community, and have fun whilst you do it!

Carbon Calculator (Take Action UMA - Save the Planet)

Tackle your environment impact using bite-sized challenges. Share your tips and plan how to reduce your carbon footprint.

Walk of the Town (Express Myself SB - Innovate Stage 4)

Think outside the box and use your imagination to come up with innovation, weird and wonderful ideas for your local area.

Uncover and Discover (Have Adventure SB - Explore Stage 4)

Explorers have been crucial in helping us understand the world - navigating new lands and studying new species. Discover something new and preserve your find.

Travel Like A Pro (Have Adventures SB - Explore Stage 5)

Places to see, people to meet and food to eat, make the most of your trips and know how to be a respectful traveller.

Run Your Virtual Trip during Your Meeting or At a Residential Event

Make your trip as realistic as possible. You could make tickets, passports, perhaps you can set up a departure lounge, virtually fly, bring luggage - you could have a game with the luggage, has anyone forgotten anything essential, you may be able to watch some virtual visits to some of the famous sites in the city. Be as adventurous as you can and have lots of fun on your virtual trip. Why not send postcards home?



Arrange a Visitor

Find a Girlguiding member to come and talk to your unit about an international trip she has been on with Girlguiding.





Badge Order Form

Leaders Name:	
Unit Name:	
District/Division:	
Total Number Of Circular Badges At £1.00 Each:	
Total Number Of Section Name Badges At £1.00 Each:	Rainbows: Brownies: Guides: Rangers:
Total Cost Of Badges:	
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Total Cost of Badges and Postage:	
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