Significant Voices Workshop for Cadettes

Cadettes will enjoy learning skills of debate and mediation in the Finding Common Ground Badge Workshop. Scouts will learn Cogito Debate argumentation techniques and be entertained by creative exercises developed just for Girl Scouts! Through this process, Scouts will be delighted by the methods they learn while earning their Finding Common Ground Badges.

**STEP 1: Get to Know Someone Different From You**
Scouts will listen to different statements and step to either the "agree" or "disagree" side. Scouts will be paired up with members from the other side for a discussion on their perspectives.

**STEP 2: Make Decisions in a Group**
Scouts will learn some primary methods for making decision as a group, and will integrate Majority Rules Method with Persuasiveness and Voting.

**STEP 3: Explore Civic Debate**
Scouts will learn how to speak using their voices in a thought-provoking manner and how to construct a respectful verbal argument.

**STEP 4: Understand a Compromise**
Scouts will work in teams to create a poem based off a topic. Afterwards, all scouts will vote on which groups poem was the best, ending with a discussion on the challenges and rewards of teamwork.

**STEP 5: Find Common Ground through Mediation**
Scouts will use techniques to present their cases and the mediators will use the "Six Step of Mediation’ to see if they can come to a resolution.

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The Steps for earning the Public Speaking Badge are fun with Cogito Debate! Our Workshop guides Cadettes through the process of finding the significance of their voice and learning effective delivery skills. By using exercises that we’ve developed for our courses, scouts at any level of Public Speaking will find ways to demonstrate their success.

**STEP 1: Get a Feel For Performing Solo**
Scouts will pair up and conduct interviews with one another and introduce their partner to the larger group based off of what they learned from their interviews!

**STEP 2: Focus on Body Language**
Scouts will learn about how non-verbal communication cues can affect the delivery of a message by playing Charades.

**STEP 3: Find Your Voice**
Scouts will experience how tone of voice, inflection, body language, and other delivery skills can affect how an individual’s words are perceived by their audience.

**STEP 4: Choose or Create a Piece to Perform**
Scouts will receive a piece of prose and/or poetry and practice with a peer, while both give constructive peer feedback and suggestions to their partners.

**STEP 5: Get Onstage and Deliver your Performance!**
Scouts will be given the opportunity to take the stage and deliver their chosen Prose/Poetry pieces to their fellow Cadettes!