

REACH OUT TO KIRIBATI CHALLENGE

Guides around the world share the same Promise and values of friendship, service, and leadership. This challenge helps girls learn about Guiding in Kiribati (pronounced Kiri-bas) and the Pacific region, and how Australian Guides can support their Guiding sisters.

There are three Guide Districts in Kiribati. Two are on Tarawa and one on Kiritimati, which is about 3300km away across the Pacific Ocean. The next closest Guides are in Fiji, more than 2000km away from Tarawa, so they rarely have the chance to meet other Guides like we can at Region camps or Jamborees.

Tarawa and Kiritimati are large coral atolls, that sit very low above the ocean, mostly about one meter above sea level.

Guides in Kiribati often use photocopies of the Pacific Guiding Handbook. The handbook and the challenge activities are written in English which is not their first language. Girls in Kiribati learn some English at school, but many speak their own language at home.

Because they live so far from other Guide groups, they do not have easy access to Guiding resources. There is no Guide Shop where they can buy badges when they complete challenges and local women sew the Guide uniforms when they can source the material. Many children do not wear shoes either, so it is a different lifestyle to ours in Australia.

Guides in Australia can help our Guiding sisters in Kiribati have access to some of the things we often take for granted.

We are raising funds to help make their dreams possible by:

- translating and printing the Guiding handbook and challenge activities into their language
- providing Guiding resources that girls can easily understand

- supplying blank badges that local women can embroider when girls earn a challenge
- supporting Leaders to learn new ways to make Guiding meaningful and relevant for their girls
- providing a Promise Badge for every Member

By purchasing the Reach Out to Kiribati fundraising badge, you will be helping your Guiding sisters in Kiribati.

In these pages you will also find some challenges to help girls learn more about Guiding and life in the Pacific, including Kiribati. There is also an opportunity to share your Guiding experiences with them.

It would be wonderful if each Unit could purchase badges for all the girls so they can show their support for their Guiding sisters.

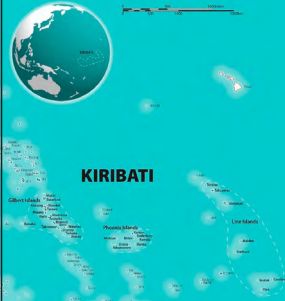








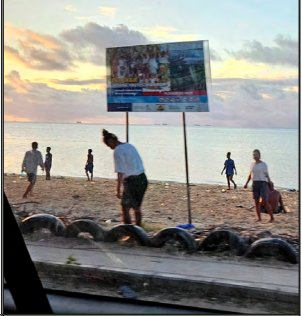
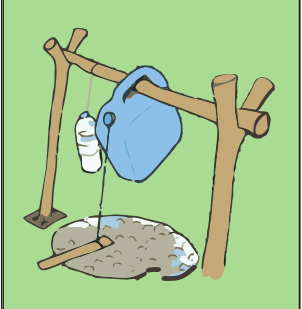
Badges can also be sold to family and friends to highlight **Girl Guides Australia's service project – reaching out in friendship to Kiribati.**





The badge is not dependent on completing the activities, but we encourage girls to try at least some of them. These activities may also contribute to Australian Guide Program challenges.

Complete activities from each section, or challenge yourself to complete several from all sections.



| Challenge | What To Do | Materials / Preparation | |
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| Map the Pacific | Find the Pacific countries where Guiding takes place. Mark them on a wall map or explore using Google Maps. | Printed map of the Pacific, markers |  |
| Patrol Relay Challenge | Create a relay race where Patrols place the correct country name on the map. | Printed maps, country name strips |  |
| Pacific Food Experience | Share or prepare Pacific foods, try fresh coconut or make coconut ice or coconut macaroons and host a fundraising afternoon tea. | Cooking ingredients, plates, serving table |  |
| Pacific Welcome | Create and present head garlands (page 7) and learn the greeting 'Mauri' used in Kiribati. | Flowers, ribbon, raffia |  |
| Kim's Game – Pacific Edition | Collect 10 objects related to Pacific culture and test memory using Kim's Game. | Objects or pictures, cloth cover |  |

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| Asia Pacific Guiding | Play the Asia Pacific Region Matching game (pages 8-17) with the 26 countries in the region. | Printed cards, scissors |  |
| Life in Kiribati | Research life for girls in Kiribati including school, culture, and daily life. | Internet or books |  |
| Environmental Challenges | Investigate issues such as sea level rise, waste management, sanitation, or clean water access in Pacific nations. | Research materials, poster paper |  |
| Build a Tippy Tap | Construct a simple hand-washing station using basic materials. See page 6 for instructions. | Water container, rope, sticks, soap |  |

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| <p>Share a Guiding Game</p> | <p>Document a game your Unit enjoys and share it with Guides in Kiribati care of Girl Guides Australia's <i>National Coordinator International</i>, Veronica Heard, at international@girlguides.org.au</p> | <p>Paper, camera or phone</p>  |
| <p>Send a Greeting Video</p> | <p>Create a short video introducing your Unit and sharing a song, activity or dance. Upload it to share with Guides in Kiribati:</p> <p>https://form.jotform.com/261039265229862</p> | <p>Phone or camera</p>  |
| <p>Advocacy Challenge</p> | <p>Raise awareness of environmental or sanitation issues affecting Pacific nations and plan an action.</p> | <p>Poster materials or presentation tools</p>  |
| <p>Leadership Fundraiser</p> | <p>Plan and run a fundraising or awareness event to support the Reach Out to Kiribati project.</p> | <p>Event planning materials</p>  |

FRIENDS OF ASIA PACIFIC WAGGGS (FAPW)

Friends of Asia Pacific WAGGGS is a network of supporters who strengthen Guiding across the Asia Pacific Region. The Girl Guides Australia Reach Out to Kiribati Project is partially supported by FAPW.



Find out how you can join and support FAPW.

SUPPORTING GUIDING IN KIRIBATI

In late September, a small team of experienced Australian Guiding Trainers and Leaders will travel to Kiribati via Fiji to work with local Leaders. The aim of this visit is to support leadership development and strengthen Guiding for girls and young women to have a voice in their communities.

It has been approximately 15 years since Leaders in Kiribati have had access to formal Guiding training. Leaders have expressed a strong desire to develop their skills so they can confidently deliver the Guiding program for girls in Kiribati.

Around 15 years ago, the Pacific Guiding Handbook was developed. While it has been valuable, some challenges remain. These include:

- the handbook being written in English rather than the local language, so is not as useful as it could be
- limited access to badges to recognise girls' achievements
- some challenges are not always relevant to the local context

This project aims to work in partnership with local Leaders to adapt resources, strengthen training, and support sustainable Guiding in Kiribati.

FUNDRAISING

You can support this project in several ways:

- Purchase the Kiribati fundraising badge at guideshop.com.au
- Donate the value of a badge or badges to provide one for a Guide or one each for a whole Unit in Kiribati
- Hold a Unit or community fundraising activity
- Embed the Reach Out for Kiribati challenges into your program to help build Guides' understanding of our global significance and role we can all play in the Asia Pacific.

Funds raised from activities should be sent to Girl Guides Australia – Reach Out to Kiribati via our secure online donation portal at <https://girl-guides-australia.grassrootz.com/reach-out-kiribati>

**Small badge. Global impact.
Support Guiding in Kiribati today**



👉 Buy the badge!

Fundraise! 👉



How to help an adult build a TIPPY TAP



What you need

NAIL ON STICK & CANDLE



2M FORKED STICKS X 2
1M STICKS X 2
FOOT LEVER STICK



HOE
WATER CONTAINER



GRAVEL



BOTTLE



SOAP



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| <p>1.</p> <p>DIG TWO HOLES 18 INCHES DEEP & 2 FEET APART</p> | <p>2.</p> <p>PLACE FORKED STICKS IN HOLES. ENSURE THEY ARE LEVEL OIL BOTTOM OF STICKS TO PREVENT TERMITES</p> | <p>3.</p> <p>FILL HOLES WITH SOIL & GRAVEL PACK TIGHTLY</p> |
| <p>4. HEAT NAIL</p> <p>MAKE 2 HOLES IN CONTAINER</p> | <p>5.</p> <p>CUT UP PIECES OF SOAP & PUT IN BOTTLE FILL BOTTLE WITH WATER</p> | <p>6. HANG CONTAINER & SOAP BOTTLE ON CROSS STICK & SUPPORT</p> |
| <p>7. ATTACH STRING</p> <p>FILL CONTAINER WITH WATER</p> | <p>8. ATTACH OTHER END OF STRING TO FOOT LEVER STICK</p> | <p>9. MAKE GRAVEL BASIN BETWEEN STICKS TO PREVENT MUDDY AREA</p> |

HOW TO MAKE A HEAD GARLAND

Attach flowers and leaves to a headband to create a head garland. You can use a mix of fresh or artificial flowers and leaves.

The headband can be made from ribbon, raffia, or other suitable materials. Flowers and leaves can be glued, tied, or woven into the band.

The finished garland sits on top of the head like a crown, similar to those worn in Pacific Island cultures, including Kiribati and the Cook Islands, as a sign of welcome and celebration.











ASIA PACIFIC REGION GAME

In Asia Pacific Region of WAGGGS, there are 4.3 million members in 26 countries. Below is a set of cards for you to print onto card or paper. Print as many sets as you need. This game is best played by Patrols or small groups. Cut out the cells below. You will find the names of the 26 countries where you will find Girl Girls or Girl Scouts in the Asia Pacific Region, with 26 sets of fun facts, language cards, and pictures that are representative of each country. The aim is to match each country with the most common language spoken, fun facts and picture. At the end you may like to find the countries on your Map of the Region. (Google can be used as a reference if it is taking too long).





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| <p>Australia</p> <p>Kangaroo, Koala, Platypus live here. It is a federation of States, with a rich indigenous culture.</p> | <p>Bangladesh</p> <p>21% of country floods after monsoon rains, built on river delta. Famous for the Bengal Tiger and the largest mangrove forest in the world.</p> | <p>Brunei Darumssalam</p> <p>Small Muslim country rich in oil on the Island of Borneo. There are many kinds of monkeys, gibbons, sun bears, sambar deer, and bats.</p> | <p>Cambodia</p> <p>Angkor Wat is a large Hindu-Buddhist temple complex. It was built 900 years ago.</p> |
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| <p>English</p>  | <p>Bengali</p>  | <p>Malay</p>  | <p>Khmer</p>  |
| <p>Cook Islands</p> | <p>Fiji</p> | <p>Hong Kong</p> | <p>India</p> |
| <p>English and Cook Island Maori</p> | <p>Fijian</p> | <p>Cantonese</p> | <p>Hindi</p> |

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| <p>A group of 15 islands spread in the Pacific. The main island is Rarotonga, which you drive around in 40 mins. It is surrounded by coral reefs. Population about 15,000</p> |  | <p>Many Australians like to visit on holidays because it has beautiful warm water for swimming and dense forests. Hello = Bula</p> |  | <p>One of the most densely populated places in the world. It is in a special administrative region of China</p> |  | <p>1.45 billion people live here. It is predominately a Hindu country. Famous for the Taj Mahal. Hello = Namaste</p> |  | <p>Japan</p> | <p>Kiribati</p> | <p>South Korea</p> | <p>Malaysia</p> |
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| <p>Japanese</p> | <p>Girls wear a Kimono on special occasions. Famous for Cherry Blossom trees and Sushi</p> | <p>i-kiribati</p> | <p>33 islands spread across 3300 kms of Pacific Ocean. Guides help cleaned up their environment by collecting plastics and planting palm trees.</p> | <p>Korean</p> | <p>Seoul is the capital with 10 million people. K-pop bands are famous around the world and started here. It is very cold in the winter and hot in summer</p> | <p>Malay</p> | <p>It is a federation of 13 States. Every five years, the Sultans of the States elect a new King. Queen Azziz is the Patron on Friends of Asia Pacific WAGGGS.</p> |
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| <p>Maldives</p> | <p>Mongolia</p> | <p>Myanmar</p> | <p>Nepal</p> |
| <p>Dhivehi</p> | <p>Mongolian</p> | <p>Burmese</p> | <p>Nepali</p> |
| <p>The world's lowest country, highest point 2.4 m above sea-level, made up of 26 coral atolls in the Indian Ocean</p> | <p>Large land locked country in Central Asia. There 3.2 million people and about the same number as horses. It is rich in resources.</p> | <p>Girl Guides restarted in 2012 after 50 years of no Guides. Helped by Australian and Japanese Guide Leaders</p> | <p>Home of the highest mountain in the world Mount Everest.</p> |

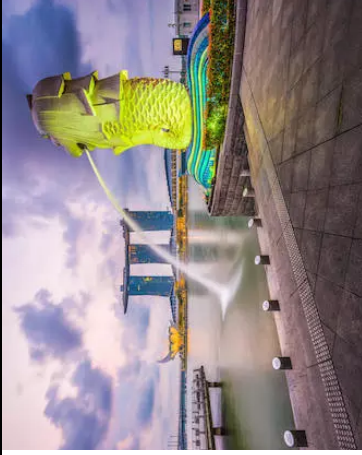
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| New Zealand | Pakistan | Papua New Guinea | Philippines |
| English | Urdu | Tok Pisin | Filipino |

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| <p>Known for Kiwis, volcanoes, glaciers and Māori Culture. Seven times more sheep than people. Rugby and netball are popular sports</p> |  | <p>Situated next to India, it is a mainly Muslim country. It experiences many earthquakes. Home to 225 million people, many love cricket</p> |  | <p>An island nation located just north of Australia and shares a border with Indonesia. It is mountainous with dense jungle and birds of paradise.</p> |  | <p>Located between the South China Sea and the Pacific Ocean. It has 7641 islands. Population 117 million. The Capital is Manilla. 92% of population is Christian.</p> |  | <p>Sri Lanka</p> | <p>Singapore</p> | <p>Solomon Islands</p> | <p>Taiwan</p> |
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| <p>Sinhala/ Tamil</p> | <p>English Mandarin Chinese Tamil Malay</p> | <p>English</p> | <p>Mandarin</p> |
| <p>An island country south of India with 103 rivers. It was once a British Colony called Ceylon. Leopards, bears, wild pigs, elephants, peacocks, and monkeys live in the forests.</p> | <p>A small island State situated between Malaysia and Indonesia with 6 million people. Chewing gum is banned in this country</p> | <p>An Island nation in Oceania with approx. 900 islands, with 8 main islands. Dense rainforest covers 90% of the islands with a number of volcanoes. Capital is Honiara</p> | <p>Small Country in East Asia, off the coast of China with highly developed free-market economy. National dish is stinky tofu. The Capital is Taipei</p> |



Thailand



Tonga



The Capital is Bangkok. Many farmers grow mulberry trees to feed silkworms. The worms create silk, which is made into beautiful silk clothing. Junior Guides are called Bluebirds



Located in SW Pacific Ocean with 169 islands, with 36 inhabited. Whales travel 3000 kms from Antarctica to give birth each year. All bats belong to the King of Tonga.

