

A GREAT SOLUTION



PURPOSE

To provide an option for churches with a big vision but a small staff, allowing them to have the gender-specific distinctives they want while operating with combined staff.

METHOD

Combined ministries based on age-level clubs/ outposts, breaking out for gender-specific mentoring opportunities. This plan is designed for small churches and church plants that need a combined ministry for staffing reasons but with the eventual goal of progressing toward independently operating ministries for boys and girls. The following plan was constructed with the boys' and girls' advancement in mind so that when a church grows into the separate ministries, the children are not at a disadvantage.

Clubs/Outposts from churches following the Together Plan can participate in the gender-specific sectional, district, regional, and national events – girls in Mpact Girls Clubs/Teen Girl Ministries events, boys in Royal Rangers events. Churches should contact their district office to inquire about chartering procedures.

LEADERSHIP

For the Together Plan to work effectively, one male and one female adult should be chosen to lead each combined group plan, while utilizing teenagers to assist when possible. Curriculum recommendations and start-up costs are given on the back page of this brochure.

Combined quarterly and annual leadership planning meetings are essential. Girls Clubs units and Royal Rangers advancements can be paired for the best combined activities and closest match of biblical/topical lessons.

Training is essential for any Girls Clubs program or Royal Rangers Outpost. With the Together Plan we recommend cross training for all leaders if at all possible. The Girls Clubs Leader Training Guide and the Royal Rangers Leader Manual would be the most immediate tools for training. Attending a district training event is recommended.

STRUCTURE

Both Royal Rangers and Girls Clubs in a traditional setting have a multi-point lesson plan structure. We have paired these points to facilitate a combined structure.

GROUP PLANS

DAISES AND PRIMS AND RANGER KIDS

Daisies and Prims require 27 units, providing lessons for 108 weeks.

Ranger Kids requires 3 Advancement Trails, providing lessons for 108 weeks.

- Preclub Activity/While the Boys Arrive (together)
- 2. Club Distinctives/Patrol Corners (separate)
- Bible Time-Activity Time/Devotion (separate

 Daisies-Prims work on lesson/ RK work on Advancement)
- 4. Recreation-Closing Activity/After the Meeting and Activity Page (together)

As Rangers complete their Advancement Trails, Daisies and Prims can complete any units as only the Bible Time (use Ranger Kids material) and preclub and closing activities are combined.

During week 13 Council of Achievement (Ranger Kids), girls could complete an Adventure.

FRIENDS AND ADVENTURE RANGERS

Friends requires 18 units, each with 6 lessons. These provide lessons for 108 weeks. Six additional units are available for completion to keep the girls on queue with the boys or they may use additional time to complete unit projects.

Adventure Rangers requires 12 Bible merits, each with 8 lessons providing lessons for 96 weeks. Additionally, Rangers need to earn 14 skill merits and 4 leadership merits.

- 1. Icebreaker/Pre-meeting Activity (together)
- 2. Club Distinctives/Patrol Corners (separate)
- Lesson-Closing Prayer/Devotion-Bible Merits (separate, include Journal Page for Friends)
- 4. Activity Time (together work on skill and leadership merits which consist of Life Skills, Personal Interest, and Leadership activities)
- Closing Activity/Recreation-After Meeting (together)

STARS AND DISCOVERY RANGERS

Stars requires 27 units, each with 4 lessons (108 weeks). Honor Stars are required to complete 9 Honor Steps. These could be completed during the Bible/Lesson time in 9 additional weekly meetings, thereby providing lessons for the girls for 117 weeks. Any additional time can be used for girls to complete unit projects.

Discovery Rangers requires 12 Bible merits, each with 8 lessons, providing lessons for 96 weeks. Additionally, Rangers need to complete 14 skill merits and 4 leadership merits.

- Preclub Activity/While the Boys Arrive (together)
- 2. Club Distinctives/Patrol Corners (separate)
- 3. Lesson-Discussion-Prayer/Bible Merits-Devotion (separate, include Activity Page for Stars)
- 4. Activity Time (together, skill and leadership meritsLife Skills and Personal Interest activities)
- 5. Recreation-Closing Activity/After the Meeting (together)

GIRLS ONLY AND EXPEDITION RANGERS

Girls Only requires 20 units, each with 6 lessons. These provide lessons for 120 weeks.

Expedition Rangers requires 75 Spirit Challenges (Bible units) with varying lesson lengths (150 Spirit Challenges available to choose from). Additionally Rangers need to earn 14 skill and 4 leadership merits.

- Club Distinctives-Warm Up Activity/Patrol Corners (separate)
- 2. Lesson-Closing Prayer/Spirit Challenges-Devotion (separate, include Journal Page for Girls Only)
- Activity Time (together-skill and leadership merits

 Life Skills, Personal Interest, and Leadership activities)
- 4. Cool Down/Recreation (together)



The Together Plan for Ranger Kids and Daisies/Prims will require some advance planning. The Ranger Kids (grades K-2) curriculum is linear — boys start on the Trail to the Elk and end on the Trail to the Cougar. Daisies (grade K) and Prims (grades 1-2) units can be completed in any order. This Group Combination presents our suggestions for unit completion as paired with the Ranger Kids (grades K-2) trails.

Each quarter the boys complete a series of lessons on one topic; e.g., Outdoors-Conservation. We examined the Daisies and Prims curriculum and selected units that complement that same theme; e.g., Daisies Thanking and Prims Cooking and Plants & Flowers units.

These suggested combinations might not include the same Bible stories or Scripture references, but the topics will be close. This will help when boys and girls come together at the closing time of each meeting to complete merit badges.

Please keep in mind that these are suggestions, not hard fast rules. Please feel free to adjust the combinations as they fit for your groups. (Please see next page for Ranger Kids/Daisies-Prims suggestions.)

The Together Plan for Discovery Rangers (grades 3-5) and Stars (grades 3-5) is more unit based. Following are suggestions for ten combinations that will help you pair the additional 17 units you will need.

CHOOSE ONE FROM THIS LIST ...



Discovery Rangers Bible First Aid Skills Global Missions Note: required merits

Armor of God spiritual safety Cooking A world missions unit focus on insect and bird Camping Visual Arts or Puppetry Making Right Choices spiritual direction Introduction to Our Church Coins for Kids emphasis In His Image God's design for our lives Family

TO GO WITH THIS LIST Safety Cooking Lashing, Insect Study, Bird Study Fire Craft, Weather Rope Craft, Fingerprinting, Art Compass, Space Exploration Church, BGMC Tool Craft, Rocketry, Models and Design Family Life

TRAIL TO THE ELK-YEAR 1

Prims Church Unit Prims Friendship Unit Prims Helpers Unit

> Antelope: Community Church

girls

Prims Bible Unit Daisies Growing Unit Daisies Healing Unit



Ram: **Animals** Strength

girls

Prims Family Unit Prims Kindness Unit Daisies Loving Unit

> Caribou: Family Family

girls

Daisies Creating Unit Prims Nature Unit Prims Earth Unit



TRAIL TO THE WOLVERINE-YEAR 2

Daisies Following Unit Daisies Helping Unit Prims Community Unit



Beaver: Community City

girls

Daisies Believing Unit Daisies Respecting Unit Prims Health Unit



Fox: **Animals** Trust

girls

Daisies Obeying Unit Prims Prayer Unit Prims Women of the Bible Unit

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Coyote: Family Obedience

girls

Daisies Thanking Unit Prims Cooking Unit Prims Plants and Flowers



TRAIL TO THE COUGAR YEAR 3

Daisies Giving Unit Daisies Sharing Unit Prims Missions Unit



Lynx: Community Missions

girls

Prims Animals Unit Prims Safety Unit Daisies Trusting Unit



Cheetah: Animals Trust

girls

Prims Salvation Unit Prims Baptism in the Holy Spirit Unit Prims Divine Healing Unit



Life of Christ

girls

Daisies Praying Unit Prims Creation Unit Prims Art Unit



Tigers: **Outdoors** Nature







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first year program costs

GIRLS MINISTRIES				ROYAL RANGERS *(non-chartered)	chartered)		
	Each Student	Each Leader	Each Group	·	Each Student	Each Leader	Each Group
Daisies & Prims (grades K-2) Daisies or Prims 9 units @ 89 cents each	\$8.01			Ranger Kids (grades K-2) RK track of TracCLub (\$18 per year)			\$18.00
Club T-shirt Club Unit Sticker Sheet (1/girl per club) Daisies Sponsor Guide CD-ROM	\$8.99	\$9.99	\$17.99	Group T-shirt RK Handbook Leader Manual	\$9.49	\$10.49	
Cost for Daisies & Prims =	\$17.89	\$9.99	\$38.98	Cost for Ranger Kids =	\$18.33	\$39.99	\$18.00
Stars (grades 3-5) 9 units @ 89 cents each	\$8.01			Discovery Rangers (grades 3-5) DR track of TracCLub (\$31 per year)			\$31.00
Club Unit Sticker Sheet	\$9.99	\$10.99	00	Group T-shirt DR Handbook	\$9.49 \$12.99	\$10.49	
Stats sports of Galde CD-ROM Cost for Stars =	\$18.89	\$10.99	\$25.99	Leader Manual Logbook (N/A) Cost for Discovery Rangers =	\$22.48	\$39.99	\$31.00
Friends (grades 6-8) 6 units @ 99 cents each	\$5.94			Adventure Rangers (grades 6-8) AR track of TracCLub (\$31 per year)			\$31.00
Club T-shirt Friends Sponsor Guide CD-ROM	\$10.99	\$10.99	826.99	Group T-shirt AR Handbook	\$12.49	\$12.49	
Cost for Friends =	\$16.93	\$10.99	\$26.99	Leader Manual Logbook (N/A)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$29.50	
				Cost for Adventure Rangers =	\$25.48	\$41.99	\$31.00
Girls Only (grades 9-12) 5 units @ 99 cents each	\$4.95			Expedition Rangers (grades 9-12) ER track of TracCLUb (\$31 per year)			\$31.00
Club T-shirt Girls Only Sponsor Guide CD-ROM	\$10.99	\$10.99	66 70\$	Group T-shirt FR Handbook	\$12.49	\$12.49	
Cost for Girls Only =	\$15.94	\$10.99	\$26.99	Leader Manual Loabook (N/A)	; ;	\$29.50	
				Cost for Expedition Rangers =	\$25.48	\$41.99	\$31.00
Total Start-Up Costs =	\$69.65	\$42.96	\$118.95	Total Start-Up Costs =	\$91.77	\$163.96	\$111.00

*Chartered RR outposts receive a 15% discount on all products listed.