



September

Monthly Patch Program Girl Scouts of Central Illinois

Oprah Winfrey

“The Biggest Adventure You Can Ever Take Is To Live The Life Of Your Dreams.”

Billionaire media executive and philanthropist Oprah Winfrey is best known for hosting her own internationally popular talk show from 1986 to 2011. From there she launched her own television network, OWN

Complete 3-Daisy, 4-Brownie, 5-Junior, 6-Cadette, and 7-Senior/Ambassador steps to earn your patch.

All monthly patches are custom designed patches. Once we get the final number of patches after the 15th of each month, we place an order. Patches take about a month to create and then we mail them to you.

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Discover

1. Learn more about Oprah’s life. Look for books at your local library or look online to learn about whom she is. Maybe watch an episode of The Oprah Winfrey Show.
2. Oprah has accomplished a lot in her life. She is best known for being the host of her own, nationally syndicated TV program. The *Oprah Winfrey show*, which aired for 25 years. How is Oprah Winfrey an entrepreneur? Discover three other businesses she has started?



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3. Oprah was inducted in the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1994. How has Oprah impacted the world? What are the qualifications of being inducted in the National Women's Hall of Fame?
4. Discover the meaning of the word media. How does media represents and misrepresents reality? Are there rules the media has to follow? Can anything be aired on TV or written in news article? Does our First Amendment correspond with your finds? Discuss your thoughts with your troop.

Connect

5. Oprah Winfrey is living proof that the American dream is alive and well. "The biggest adventure you can ever take is to live the life of your dreams." She is one of the best examples of the American Dream. What are your dreams? Create a list of everything and anything you would like to do, be, have, or archive, and any places you would like to see. You don't have to quantify it. You don't have to justify it. Share your list. Do any of your friends have the same items on their list as yours? Talk about them. Try to accomplish an item from your list.
6. In 1994, with talk shows becoming increasingly tasteless and manipulative, Oprah pledged to keep her show free of tabloid topics. Although ratings initially fell, she earned the respect of her viewers and was soon rewarded with an upsurge in popularity. Imagine hosting your own talk show. What would you talk about? What would you promote on the show? What rules would you have? Would you change your show to get more ratings or will you stay true to yourself? Create your own talk show. Film and share it with your friends and family.



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7. According to Forbes magazine, Winfrey was the richest African American of the 20th century and the world's only Black billionaire for three years running. Life magazine hailed her as the most influential woman of her generation. Oprah has created a successful magazine, joined partners with Discovery Communications to create her own network, partnered with Apple to a multi-year deal in which she would create original content for Apple, she has created charities and much more. What business would you create to get yourself on Forbes Magazine? Will you dabble in different careers or ventures? Share what you would do with your billions. Create a mockup of your business plan. Write up a business proposal, draw out your logo, or create a commercial explain your business. Share your plans.

Take Action

8. Oprah is one of the richest and most powerful women in the world. A media mogul from humble beginnings, she's made a habit of proving her heart is just as big as her massive fortune. Oprah frequently makes charitable donations and isn't afraid to roll her sleeves up and help others. What do you believe will be the impact or result of Oprah donating so much money to charities? Find out different Charities Oprah donates to. Research ways you can help support charities that interest you. Pick a charity that you have never supported before. There are more ways to support a charity than donating money. Discover the different ways to support. Go out and take action.



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9. Oprah has been recognized for many things in her career. Is there someone in your life that you think deserves recognition? Plan a way to recognize that person. There are different ways. Research different ways to show recognition. Be genuine, don't take your time to recognize this individual, and be specific why you think this person should be recognized. Go out and recognize them!

10. Create a stereotype-shattering PSA in audio, video or print that counteracts a detrimental advertisement they've found. Your PSA could identify the harmful ad - the offending product and its message - then turn it around into something surprising and new. Maybe do a makeover on a comic-book superhero who embodies one or more stereotypes, and present it as a PSA.