

Key things you need to know to help your Guides move up to Rangers and/or become a young leader

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- Encourage Guides to read pages 30-31 'Moving on after Guides' and 32-33 'What else can I do?' of the Go Guide Handbook.
- Many girls have a leaving party to celebrate their time as a Guide. This not only encourages girls to move up, but it's also a way to celebrate all the great things they have done as Guides. Remember to schedule these parties into your programme.
- Speak to local Ranger leaders to find out if any Guides could join them on their residential or camp. This provides a great opportunity for Guides to experience what being a Ranger is like and to meet leaders and other girls.
- Start to explore some of the unit meeting activities (UMAs), skills builders and interest badges that are available to Rangers - much of this information is available online.
- It is important to build relationships with Ranger leaders and units. You could hold joint meetings, activities or events to help the Guides and Rangers mix together to make moving on easier. Why not arrange a taster visit to a Ranger unit?
- Part 3 of the Guide Gold award relates to 'Get ready for Rangers and/or help others get ready for Brownies or Guides' and gives Guides the opportunity to learn more about being a Ranger or young leader and what they get up to!
- Remember, not all girls will want to or will complete their Guide Gold award, and it is important to help these girls to find out more about Rangers or being a young leader.
- Invite a Ranger or a young leader to come into one of your unit meetings and explain the opportunities available to Rangers and young leaders, such as the Lead away permit, the Young leader qualification, becoming a peer educator, starting the Queen's Guide award, working towards a Duke of Edinburgh's award, taking part in international opportunities, or being a Girlguiding advocate.
- Why don't you get in touch with the unit your Guide will be going to, or a local young leader, and help find her a buddy? This will help her get to know somebody else in Rangers, or somebody with young leader experience, who could help her get settled and answer any questions.
- Talk or write to a girl's parent or carer when the time comes for her to move. This ensures a parent is engaged in the process and knows what is happening. Discuss with parents the Ranger unit that is most appropriate and suitable for their daughter - remember this may not always be the closest unit - as well as explaining all the other opportunities available to girls aged 14+.
- Invite Rangers or young leaders to run a meeting for the Guides to give them a taste of what it might be like to be in Ranger or young leader. They can use skills builders and UMAs for inspiration.