

# *Library Love*



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## Library Love

In keeping with Girl Scouts of Citrus Council's goal of active citizenship, this patch was designed to provide the opportunity for girls to gain an insight into their local community library. Upon completion of the requirements, the girls will have a better understanding of their community library.

The Library Love patch program is open for both Girl Scout members and nonmembers.

**Patch:** Upon completion of this program, you can send an email to the GSC Council Shop at [shop@citrus-gs.org](mailto:shop@citrus-gs.org) to order and pay for your patch. Each Library Love patch cost \$3.00.

Please be sure to provide the GSC Shop with the following information when ordering:

- First & Last Name
- Contact phone number
- Number of patches

**Level:** Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador (Kindergarten – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

**Thank you to Cadette Girl Scout Kendal B. with Troop 512 for assisting with this Council Own Patch!**

**Questions:** Please contact customer care at [customercare@citrus-gs.org](mailto:customercare@citrus-gs.org)

### Resources

Below is a list of links of each County Library system located in Girl Scouts of Citrus parameters:

1. Brevard County - ([Brevard County Library System - Click Here](#))
2. Lake County - ([Lake County Library System - Click Here](#))
3. Orange County - ([Orange County Library System - Click Here](#))
4. Osceola County - ([Osceola County Library System - Click Here](#))
5. Seminole County - ([Seminole County Library System - Click Here](#))
6. Volusia County - ([Volusia County Library System - Click Here](#))
7. Need help locating a library near you? ([Click Here](#))



## Librarian of Congress – Carla Hayden



Established in 1800 in Washington, D.C., the Library of Congress is the world's largest library. Their Congressional Research Service helps members of Congress conduct research on U.S. laws and policies, but the public is also free to visit and browse items from the library's impressive collection. The institution employs thousands of people, from curators and archivists to IT specialists, but only one person—the Librarian of Congress—is appointed by the president to oversee the entire operation. Today, Dr. Carla Hayden serves as the 14th (and first female and African American) Librarian of Congress.

[\(To learn more about Carla Hayden and the Library of Congress - Click Here\)](#)



## Requirements

To earn the Library Love patch, Girl Scouts and community members are required to sign up for a free public library card in their given county and do the following activities based upon their grade level:

### Daisy (K-1):

Choose at least **four** of the nine activities below, sign up for a library card, explore your county's library website and take a tour of your local library.

### Brownie (2-3):

Choose at least **five** of the nine activities below, sign up for a library card, explore your county's library website and take a tour of your local library.

### Junior (4 – 5):

Choose at least **six** of the nine activities below, sign up for a library card, explore your county's library website and take a tour of your local library.

### Cadette (6-8):

Choose at least **seven** of the nine activities below, sign up for a library card, explore your county's library website and take a tour of your local library.

### Senior (9 – 10):

Choose at least **eight** of the nine activities below, sign up for a library card, explore your county's library website and take a tour of your local library.

### Ambassador (11 – 12):

Complete all **nine** activities below, sign up for a library card, explore your county's library website and take a tour of your local library.



# Activities

## 1. Benefits of a card

Do you know the limit on how many books you can check out? Did you know that your library card can do more than just checkout books? Your library card has access to so many resources such as language learning, downloadable apps, free classes and so much more! Research your county's library system to find out all the amazing benefits that come with your library card!

## 2. Knowing your community library

Did you know that all branches have different services? Some library branches have unique items to check out such as ukuleles and customized literature kits while other branches may offer 3D printing and genealogy. Stop by your local library branch to see what services they offer to the community!

## 3. Rules / Regulations and etiquette

The library is a quiet place where people go to read, study, and learn. Would it be nice to make a lot of noise? If you are unable to reach a book, do you climb the shelves? How do you think you should behave in the library? Research the rules of your library, COVID-19 guidelines and discuss with a librarian, adult, or older Girl Scout on how you should behave while in the library.

## 4. Dewey Decimal System

Why do you think books are placed in certain sections in your library? What are those small numbers that can be found on the spine of the book? Melvil Dewey was an American librarian who devised the Dewey Decimal Classification (System). This system helps organize books and materials in your library. Research Melvin Dewey and how his system helps organize and categorize libraries.

## 5. How to find a book

Did you know that you can find a book in the library all on your own? Rather than asking a librarian, use the computer system in your local library or on your smart device to locate your favorite book. Remember to check and see if the book is available at your local library's location.



## 6. Old school research

How were people able to locate a book in the library without a computer and a librarian to help? Before computers, people used a catalog record with index cards to locate a book in the library. Sometimes the index card would be missing or in another card slot! Research how index cards were used to locate books and create an index card for your favorite book.

## 7. Biography / Women empowerment

A biography, or simply bio, is a detailed description of a person's life. There are many powerful women out there that have made a difference and wrote a book to share their story. Pick a famous woman that inspires you and research her life. Be sure to share with a friend how she made a difference and how she inspires you to be the best version of yourself you can be.

## 8. Summer Reading Program

Did you know that learning does not have to stop when schools out for the summer? Some libraries offer a summer reading program where you can receive some amazing prizes for reading a certain number of hours! Ask a librarian at your local library to see if they offer a summer reading program. If your library does offer a summer reading program, be sure to sign up! If your library does not offer a summer reading program, see if you can get involved to start one!

## 9. Different libraries

There are many different libraries. All libraries can be categorized into one of four types of libraries. The types are:

- Public Libraries
- Academic Libraries
- National Libraries
- Special Libraries

With a variety of libraries comes a variety of opportunities! Research each type of library and find out what discoveries can be made!



## Proper Library Rules and Etiquette

Going to the library can be a lot of fun. But, before you go, you need to know the proper rules and etiquette that are required when visiting a library. Below are some rules and etiquette to follow while in your local library.

### Library Rules

- Always use your “indoor voice.” Libraries are used as study, research, and reading areas, which means that you need to be quiet. Otherwise, you might disturb someone and make them lose their concentration.
- Always walk, not run. In a library it is important to walk, or you might distract someone. You also may run into someone and/or break something.
- Do not bring any food or drinks into a library. Spilling food or drink on a book can destroy a book, and then someone else will not be able to enjoy the book.
- Always bring your library card. Once you have one, make sure not to lose it so that you can return to the library in the future.

### Library Etiquette

- Be sure to bring your books back by the due date or else you may have to pay a late fee. This helps make sure that everyone has a chance to enjoy books and that they are not checked out for an extended time.
- Library books are not your personal books, so be mindful of keeping them in good shape. If you damage or lose a library book, others will not be able to read it. (You may also have to pay for a destroyed/lost book.)
- If you use a computer at a library, be sure to log out of it before leaving. You also want to be sure not to get anything on the computer.
- Respect staff and ask questions when needed. If you have a question, library staff will be happy to help you. They can help you find books about any topic or genre you are interested in. If you need to do research for class (or for fun), the library is a great place to learn.

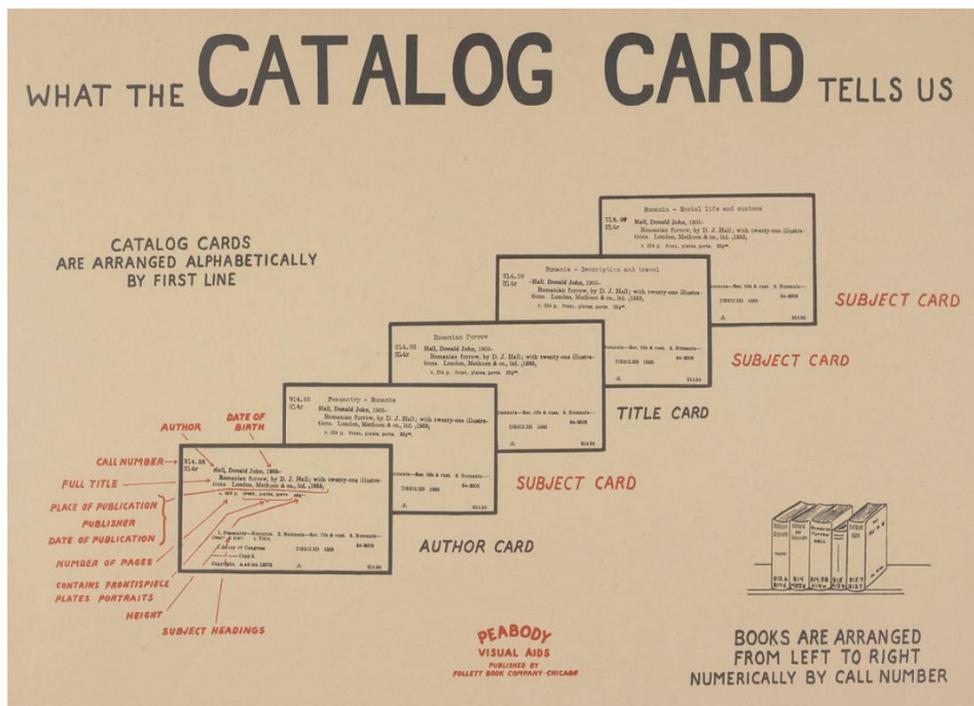


## Creating an Index Card Catalog

To know where we are heading it is important to know where we came from. Consider the following image of a traditional library catalogue card. A lot of information had to fit onto a 12.5 cm X 7.5 cm piece of cardboard. As a result, information had to be brief and laid out in such a way as to maximize how the information could be presented to the library patron.

To enlarge photo, ([Click Here](#))

For more information and the history of a catalog card ([Click Here](#))



## Best Biographies of Powerful Successful Woman in Both Past and Present

Below are some biography suggestions to assist you while earning your Library Love Patch!

- “Notorious RBG Young Readers' Edition: The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg” by Irin Carmon and Shana Knizhnik

Ruth Bader Ginsburg (RBG) was the second female justice of the U.S. Supreme Court (the highest court in America.) She was an advocate for gender equality and civil rights. She made history by advocating for equality under the law. She is known for her position of dissent against rulings she believed were unfair.

- “Becoming” by Michelle Obama

Michelle Obama is a former First Lady of the United States of America. She was the first African American First Lady and is married to Barack Obama, a former President. She is an advocate for healthy eating, education, poverty awareness, and even more. While First Lady, she planted a vegetable garden at the White House as part of her mission to educate kids about healthy eating.

- “The Story of Jane Goodall: A Biography Book for New Readers” by Susan B. Katz

Jane Goodall is a primatologist, which means she studies primates. She is well known for her studies of chimpanzees in Gombe Stream National Park. She started the world’s longest running wildlife study project, known as the Gombe chimp observation. Her work changed our understanding of the chimpanzee and taught scientists about chimp behaviors such as their ability to hunt, create tools, and have a social behavior similar to our own.

- “Who Is Malala Yousafzai?” by Dinah Brown

Malala Yousafzai is a Pakistani education advocate. She advocates for girls' right to attend school. Not everyone agrees with her, and she was shot at the age of 15 by those who disagree. She kept speaking up for girls and because of her advocacy, she is the youngest person in the world to win a Nobel Peace Prize, which she earned at the age of 17.



## Best Biographies of Powerful Successful Woman in Both Past and Present, Cont.

- “Who Is Kamala Harris?” by Kirsten Anderson

Kamala Harris is the 49th Vice President of the U.S. She is the first female, Asian American, and African American to be in this position. Before serving as the VP, she was a Senator for California. As VP, Kamala Harris holds the highest position a woman has ever held in the United States’ government. “*What I want young women and girls to know is: You are powerful and your voice matters,*” Kamala Harris said in a 2019 interview.

- “I am Lucille Ball (Ordinary People Change the World)” by Brad Meltzer

Lucille Ball was a studio executive and producer and an actress. She was the first woman to head a production studio, and she had her own TV show, “I Love Lucy,” which ran for six seasons. Thanks to her work, she won four Emmy Awards, including Best Actress in a Continuing Performance. She broke many barriers for women and has inspired girls to follow in her path.

- “Breakaway: Beyond the Goal” by Alex Morgan

Alex Morgan is a professional female soccer player. She is an olympic gold medalist for Team USA and she has won the Women’s World Cup. In 2009, she was the youngest member of the US National Soccer Team, which she is still a member of. Alex Morgan is also a hometown hero who plays for the Orlando Pride.

- “Little Guides to Great Lives: Maya Angelou” by Danielle Jawando

Maya Angelou was a famous American poet. Her work has received dozens of awards and she recited one of her poems, “On the Pulse of Morning,” at former President Bill Clinton’s first inauguration. This poem is also her most famous. In total, she wrote 167 poems.

- “All About Marie Curie (All About...People)” by Claire Caprioli

Marie Curie was a chemist and physicist known for her pioneering work with radiation. She won the Nobel Prize in chemistry. She discovered two elements: radium and polonium. Her work shaped our knowledge of radioactivity. One of her famous quotes is, “*Be less curious about people and more curious about ideas.*”



## Types of Libraries

There are many different libraries. All libraries can be categorized into one of four types of libraries. The types are:

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- Academic Libraries
- National Libraries
- Special Libraries

Each library has a specific purpose. Keep reading to learn about each type of library.

- **Public Libraries** - Public libraries are the most common type of library, and most likely the type of library you have visited. Each county within Citrus Council has its own chain of public libraries. At these libraries you can find books for all ages and all genres, since they are accessible to everyone. Public libraries are funded by tax dollars.
- **Academic Libraries** - Academic Libraries include school and college libraries. These libraries are geared toward students. At an academic library you will find books that are appropriate for the students it serves. For example, elementary school libraries have books for elementary-age students, middle school libraries have books for middle school students, etc. Students can research projects, learn more about something they are learning about in class, or find books to read for fun in academic libraries.
- **National Libraries** - National libraries are established by the government and rarely allow regular citizens to borrow books. The purpose of this type of library is to collect and preserve information for the Nation. These are very important because they may include significant or rare books.
- **Special Libraries** - Special libraries serve specific groups of people. An example of this type of library is a military library, which is usually found on a military base and serves members of the armed forces. Other types of special libraries include hospital, government, and private business libraries. These libraries are usually not open to the general public, since they provide specific information to specific groups.



## Careers in Librarianship

People with varying levels of education and a wide variety of interests work in libraries. Librarians and library workers help people find information and use it effectively for personal and professional purposes. They must have knowledge of a wide variety of scholarly and public information sources and must be on the cutting edge of technology trends to serve their patrons.

You can pursue a wide variety of career paths within library organizations. Depending on your interests and background, it is possible to plan your career from entry level to top level management. Along the way, there are also many opportunities available for possible moves within a particular career path. The goal is to provide lifelong career fulfillment and job satisfaction with the choices you make.

**Below is a list of careers in Librarianship:**

- Pages
- Library Assistants or Technicians
- Librarians
- Library Managers
- Library Directors
- Other Professionals (public relations, accounting, human resources, network administration, facilities management, transportations services and security)

With so many possible career paths in libraries, the education, experience, and skills required also vary from job to job. As you begin your journey, it is good to have a general understanding of the type of job you are interested in and the type of library setting you want to work in.

[To explore more on careers in librarianship, Click Here](#)

