



Discussion Guide

Episode 3: Conservation Conversations | 9/24/20

Do you love the planet? Animals? The outdoors? Then this week's episode is for you! This episode is all about the amazing things that Girl Scouts do in the outdoors, from camp and kayaking to research and protecting endangered species. Combine what you love with your Girl Scout skills, and you'll be unstoppable! Get ideas and start the conversation with your friends or family using the questions below.

The Great Outdoors: Girl Scouts Get Outdoors!

- Did you see any pictures from around the Girl Scout Movement that remind you of something you've done? What about something that you want to try?
- Were there any pictures of things you didn't know Girl Scouts could do?
- What are some of the fun things you've done outdoors?

Want a career in animal conservation? Learn more from Dr. Jillian Fazio!

- Dr. Jillian Fazio has had many different jobs with animals, from her first job in a pet store to a vet technician to Disney's Animal Kingdom to the Smithsonian's National Zoo as the Clouded Leopard Species Survival Plan Coordinator. If you are interested in working with animals, which of these jobs sounds interesting to you? What different career possibilities can you imagine for yourself?
- What different possibilities can you imagine in a subject you're interested in?
- Dr. Fazio described applying to be the Clouded Leopard Species Survival Plan Coordinator, and not being selected, but applying again later. How do you think that experience of trying and failing may have prepared her to try again?
- Dr. Fazio said she will not save clouded leopards in her lifetime, but that it would take lots of people over many generations, to conserve our planet. Is conservation something you feel passionately about? Why or why not?
- Dr. Fazio has a clouded leopard named after her. If you could have any animal named after you because of your something you did, what animal would you want named after you?

Badge and Journey Corner: Think Like a Citizen Scientist

- Have you tried any the steps of the scientific method, like making observations, collecting data, and asking questions?
- How can you use the scientific method to contribute to conservation?

Take It Further!

- Inspired by Dr. Jillian Fazio? Learn how Girl Scouts are Taking Action for wildlife by watching the first ever virtual [Girl Scouts Destination: Wildlife, Conservation, and Leadership](#).
- **Jump into the Scientific Method:** You can see more from Erin in the Cadette [Think like a Citizen Scientist](#) activity on Girl Scouts at Home. Or, check out the Think like a Citizen Scientist Journey for any age level!
- **Explore your state park!** Get outside and try the scientific method in a state park near you. Or, check out the many activities from [Girl Scouts Love State Parks](#)—all available virtually!