



# Ring Gliders

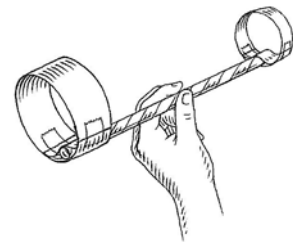
## For Tabling and Drop-In Events

### Supplies:

- Paper strips : 1" x 7" & 1/2" x 5" (1 each per girl)
- Non-bending straws (1 per girl)
- Tape (4 pieces per girl; you'll need a few rolls)
- Extra straws (different sizes)
- Optional: scissors, extra paper

### #1: Introduce!

- Make a basic ring glider as a demo and ask them to follow:
  1. Tape one large strip of paper and one small strip into rings
  2. Tape one ring onto each end of the straw
  3. Hold the glider like a dart, with the small ring in front
  4. Toss into the air
- Ask girls to do the same, and toss it a few times



### #2: Ask the Girls!

- "What did you notice about how your ring glider flew?"
- "What would you like to change about your ring glider?"
- "How will you change it? Do you need any other supplies (different straws, more paper, etc.)?"

### #3: Let Them Do It!

- While they work, you can engage new passers-by and get them started on the activity
- Encourage them as they experiment
- If they get inspired, let them try multiple changes

### #4: Reflect!

- "What happened? What did you discover?"
- If you have time, ask: "Why do you think it happened?"

### Notes:

- Typical changes include adding more rings, using a different straw, or changing the rings.
- This simple, yet fun, activity showcases the best of Girl Scouting: girls make decisions, get hands-on, and do much more than cookies, crafts, and camping—in this case, science!

