To earn your Gloria petal, do these three things.

1. **Enjoy “Gloria’s Story,” then talk about it**

2. **Invite an older Girl Scout to talk to your group about ways to respect yourself and others**

3. **Practice respecting yourself and others**

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**Gloria’s Story**

**A Surprise for Lily**

One morning, the Flower Friends gathered around the picnic table for breakfast. Gloria had made smoothies for everyone with bananas, peaches, and yogurt.

“This tastes great,” Clover said. “Yes, thanks for making such a healthy breakfast,” Tula added. “Smoothies are a yummy way for us to take care of ourselves!”

“And a good breakfast gives us all energy to keep going all day!” Gloria added with a twinkle in her eye. “Now I’m going to see if we got any mail.”
When Gloria opened the mailbox, she found a pretty yellow envelope addressed to the Flower Friends at the Daisy Flower Garden. “Look, everyone,” she called out. “We got a letter today. I wonder what it says?” Gloria opened the envelope and read the note inside.

“Mrs. Wildflower is having a surprise party for our friend Lily!” she said.

“We’re supposed to be there at two o’clock.”

“That sounds like so much fun!” Mari said.

“I hope there’s dancing,” Lupe said.

“I can’t wait!” Gerri added. “Let’s go right now.” But Gloria shook her head. “We should look nice when we go to a party,” she said. “Let’s take the time to get ready.”
“First, let’s brush our teeth,” Gloria said.

Everyone grabbed their toothbrushes. When they were finished, their teeth were shiny and gleaming.

“Now, let’s straighten our petals and wash our faces,” Gloria suggested.

The Flower Friends used a special comb to make sure their petals were straight. Then they took turns washing their faces in fresh, clean rainwater.

When they were done, they all looked bright and shining and happy!
Lupe pulled up in her petal-powered car. “Come on,” she called.

“I’ll drive us to the party!”

The Flower Friends hopped into the car and fastened their seat belts.

Lupe started the car. They all used petal power to take off and arrived at Mrs. Wildflower’s house right on time.

“Thanks for driving, Lupe,” Gloria said. “It’s always good to be on time when you’re invited to a party—especially when you want to surprise someone!”

They went inside. A few minutes later, Lily came in.

“Surprise!” they shouted.

“Happy Birthday!”

Lily beamed. “Wow! Thank you for remembering my birthday!”

“And thank you for inviting us, Mrs. Wildflower!” Gloria said. “We’re going to have so much fun!”

The End