The Brownie Story

An Interactive Story

Action Words

**Girls**  
Giggle, with hands hiding mouth

**Granny**  
Say “Oh, MY!” and slap knee with hand

**Brownies**  
Say “Be Prepared!” and make the Girl Scout Sign

**House**  
Say “Come on in!” while making a big come in motion with right hand

**Owl**  
Say “Who! Who!” while flapping arms as wings

**Forest**  
Say “Wooooooooo!” (moan) and sway arms and fingers in the air like swaying trees

The Story

Once upon a time, there were two little **girls** who lived in England with their **granny** and their father.

The **girls** played all day while the **granny** and father had to work very hard.

One day **granny** told the **girls** about the **Brownies**, who used to do lots of things to help around the **house**.

They are gone now, she said, but we were always so much happier when they helped.

The **girls** wanted to know where the **Brownies** had gone and how to get them to come back.

**Granny** said, "only the wise old **owl** knows!"
That night, when everyone else was asleep, one of the girls ran out of the house into the magic forest.

There she found the wise old owl.

"Please", said the girl, "where can I find the Brownies to come and live with us?"

The owl said, "I know where two live – right in your house!"

She was very surprised!

“Tell me how to find them,” she begged.

He told her to go to the pond in the magic forest, turn around three times and say, "twist me and turn me and show me the elf... I looked in the water and saw.......!"

The wise old owl said, "When you finish the rhyme, you will see the Brownie in the magic pond."

The girl went to the pond in the magic forest and did as she had been told.

She went back to the forest and found the wise old owl and said, "something must be wrong, I did all you told me to do and I only saw myself! And I am not a Brownie!"

"Are you sure?" said the owl. “To be a Brownie, you must be ready to help those around you, make friends wherever you can, and every day try to discover something new.”

"I'd like to be a Brownie,” said the girl.

“Then go home and try,” the wise old owl said kindly.

He touched her hand with his feathers, and suddenly she was back in her house, in her own bed.

Quietly, she woke up her sister, told her all that had happened.
Together the **girls** tip-toed into the kitchen and began to clean the **house**.

In the morning, when **granny** and father saw the **house**, they wanted to know what had happened.

"Who did this?" said **granny** and father.

The **girls** danced around and shouted, "it's the **Brownies**!"

And from that day on, theirs was a very happy **house** near the **forest**, all because of the **Brownies**!