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<p>THE SAGE AWARD: Are you interested in earning the award? What do you hope to learn and explore by doing so? Do you want to complete the award steps as individuals and discuss and share insights with the team? Or progress through the steps as a team? Use your gatherings primarily to work on the award, or mix in other opportunities along the way?</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p>FREESTYLING: You might opt to “mix and match” ideas from <i>JUSTICE</i> to create your own journey, and not focus on earning the Sage Award. What ideas from the Nest, Soar, and Puzzler sections of your book spark your interest? Perhaps you want to focus on exploring career ideas or use your energy on a particular topic covered in <i>JUSTICE</i>? There is no right or wrong way for your Ambassador team to journey through <i>JUSTICE</i>!</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p>CEREMONIES: What (if anything) would you like to do to mark your time together as special and apart from all the busyness of life? Would you enjoy a chance to tell one another a good thing and a challenge you have experienced in life between Ambassador gatherings? Would you like to practice a few minutes of quiet together, aided by a candle, music, or a beautiful photo from nature? Take turns sharing poems and quotes? A blend of these? None of these? Note that the sample sessions in your adult volunteer’s guide offer ceremony ideas, too. Again, the best solution is the one you and your sister Ambassadors create for yourselves—and this might even include “winging it” from session to session!</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p>CAREER EQUATIONS: During your search for an equation for justice, you can add in time to build an equation, or two or 10, about your future. You and your teammates might visit a university to interview some “science-y” people (a step to the Sage). You can also stop at the financial-aid office, take a tour, and check out the dorms! Multitask your way through every step to the Sage—something for “justice,” something for you! Think about how the two come together. Now that’s being sage!</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>

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<p>CONFLICT SOLUTIONS: As you build your equation for justice, you'll see that some of the issues you explore might be useful in resolving conflicts in your personal life, too! You'll hear more about this in your team gatherings, but you may have your own ideas about this, too. If you are especially interested in getting better at solving the kinds of daily conflicts that come up between friends, at school, or at home, think about taking some time to dig deeper. You might seek out tips from a mediator, counselor, lawyer, or judge.</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p>ADDITIONAL LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: Perhaps you and other Ambassadors (or each in turn!) would like to take charge of guiding the exploration and discussion ideas provided in your adult volunteer's guide (tailoring and tweaking and making them your own as you go). Choose a session and "sign on" to lead. When your session is coming up, chat with your adult volunteer to get assistance in thinking the gathering through and adding your own creative touches.</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p>ENJOYING THE GREAT OUTDOORS: How would you like to spend some time in nature? Day hikes? A weekend camping retreat? Maybe your team can even link up with other Ambassador groups exploring <i>JUSTICE</i> and make it a mega-campout with time to share ideas and networks. Check out inspirational tidbits about birds throughout your book. How about visiting a bird sanctuary or a wildlife refuge?</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p>NETWORKING: Who would you like to talk to as you journey? Members of a local zoning and planning board? The person developing an environmental impact statement for a local building project? Epidemiologists? Volunteers at a nature preserve or environmental action organization? Building a network of people will enrich your journey—and give you ideas and resources for college and career planning! Start early by pooling the team's ideas and connections!</p>	<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>