



EMMA GREER

AGE: 14 years old **FROM:** Northern Ireland

TOP FIVE CHARACTER VALUES: HUMILITY / MODESTY | CREATIVITY | HOPE / OPTIMISM | COMPASSION | LEADERSHIP

“Growing up with my younger brother who has a disability, I am very aware of the importance of helping other young people to develop their skills and their potential. I am committed to helping the young people in my community to achieve this too, and hope that I can be a good role model for them.”

I have been a member of Girlguiding for twelve years and volunteer with my local Rainbows unit to help the young people who live in my area. Girlguiding has given me many opportunities to meet new people, and broaden my horizons. As a member I have improved my communication skills, developed my teamwork and leadership skills, become more confident and outgoing and had loads of fun on the way. My involvement with Girlguiding has led to me being selected to represent Ulster Girlguiding at an international camp in Germany next summer.

My camping experiences as a Guide also gave me the confidence to enrol on the Duke of Edinburgh programme. I am also proud to be working towards my Millennium Volunteer Award. At Guides we look after the local environment, and fundraise to support local charities on issues such as homelessness.

I volunteer weekly with my local Rainbow unit, working

towards the Young Leader Qualification. I want to help young girls develop their self-confidence, build friendships, learn new things and have fun. I also want to help equip our young members with the skills and confidence grow up to play an active and respectful part in our community.

Growing up with my brother who has a disability, I am very aware of how important it is to help support others to access opportunities, develop skills and achieve their goals. I want to use my own personal experiences to promote inclusion and make a difference. I do this at home to support my family and through taking part in social action I am committed and passionate about helping young people in my community to achieve this, too.

... continue my work the Rainbows and Girlguiding and seek to encourage others, telling them about the Guiding opportunities available to them.

