

# A WEEK AT THE VIEW

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As I'm sure everyone is aware, I'm a member of the Girls' Brigade, and I do Journalism at university. What you probably didn't know is that in January, I spent a week doing work experience at the View, which is the Girls' Brigade magazine. I wrote this article for the View, and edited it for Parable magazine.

The GB Head Office is in Didcot, so I only went in from Monday to Wednesday, travelling there and back on the train. I worked from home on Thursday, and then met Catherine Burt, the Editor, in Central London on Friday.

I spent most of Monday meeting everyone and finding out their roles. That afternoon I chose some possible images for the summer cover, and wrote a title. I was thrilled when I saw the cover design, with the title and one of the images I chose.

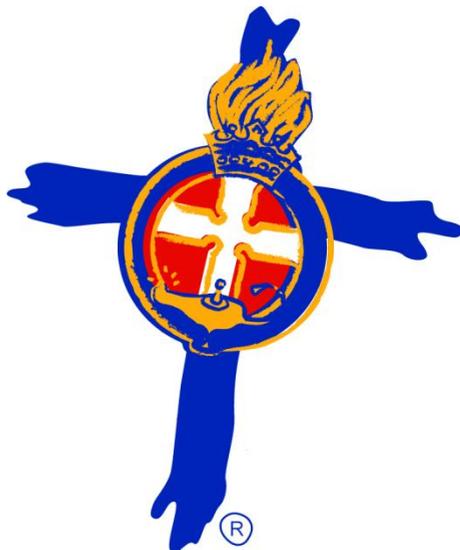
It was amazing to be given such important work – on Tuesday and Wednesday I wrote some news stories and a full page feature! On Wednesday afternoon, Catherine arranged with me what I would do on Thursday, and where we would meet on Friday.

On Thursday, I spent a couple of hours researching and thinking of ideas for design and articles. I had a look at some other youth organisations magazines, and I think the View is already the best! I also reviewed a series of books, and spent the afternoon writing another full page feature.



I met Catherine and Liz Sarkodie at Covent Garden tube station, and we went to a little Christian cafe. I interviewed Liz about YouMatter, the project she runs, for an article about that. After lunch, Catherine and I discussed my ideas from the day before, how my week had been, and the interview article.

The week was wonderful, and I'm sad that it's over. I really enjoyed it and feel it was a useful experience, so now I'm just waiting to see the issue of the View with my work in it!



## GIRLS' BRIGADE

For more information on Girls' Brigade England and Wales, check out the website:  
[www.girlsb.org.uk](http://www.girlsb.org.uk)

Or talk to Wendy Gray, Lyddy Gray or Jackie Searing, who are all GB leaders.

Our Girls' Brigade company meets on a Tuesday in the Church hall, and we have Boys in Trust, too. With time to play and make friends, badgework that teaches real skills, and bible stories, GB is both a Christian group and a fun club.

Explorers / n:vestigate    aged 4 to 8    from 5:30pm to 7pm

Juniors / n:gage    aged 7 to 11    from 6pm to 8pm

