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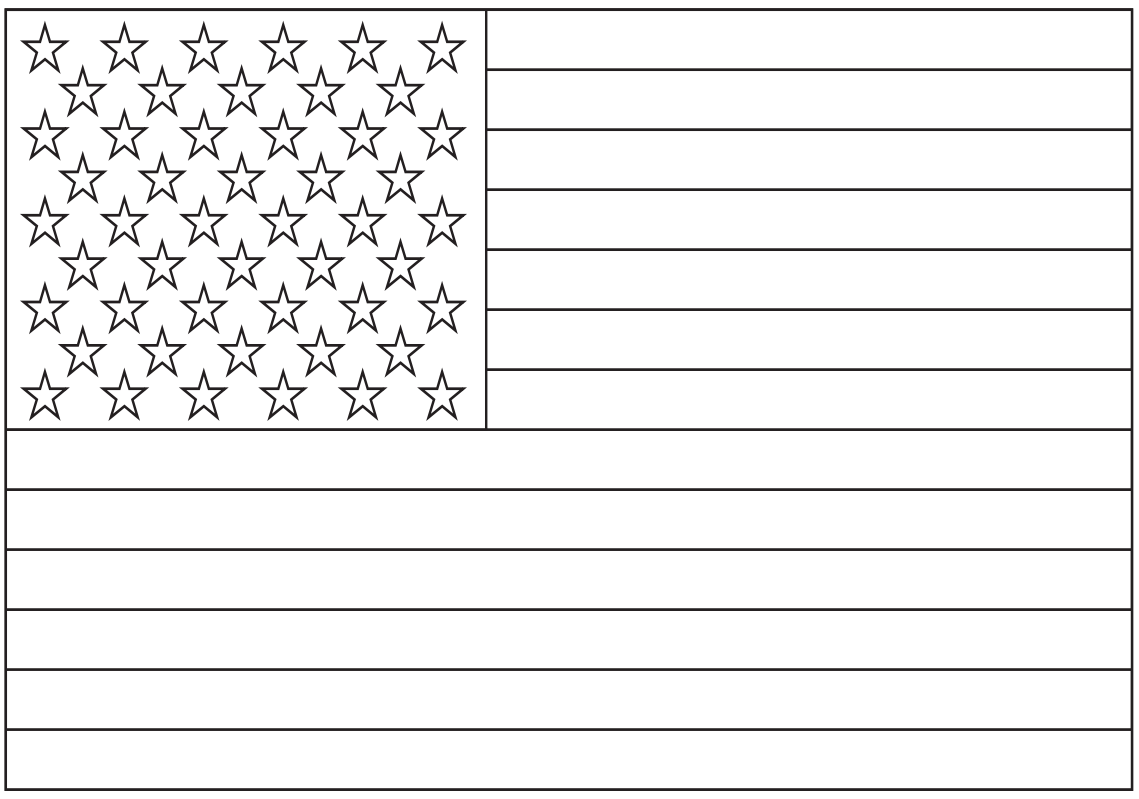
Veterans Day

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month people around the world remember the soldiers who have fought in wars.

It was started after World War I. More soldiers had died in WWI than in any other war before that one. An Australian journalist by the name of George Honey asked people around the world to observe two minutes of silence at 11:00 a.m. as the treaty to end the war was signed.

Color this flag. Cut it out and display it in a window on Veterans Day, November 11.

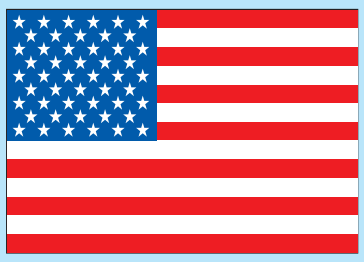


THANK YOU VETERANS!

Flags: A High-Flying Tradition

People fly the American flag on Veterans Day. How many times a day do you see the flag?

Every country in the world has a flag. A flag is a **symbol** of a country. A symbol is a picture that tells us something without using words.



The American flag has a blue corner section with white stars, called the **union**. The rest of the flag has red and white stripes.

Why stars and stripes?

Stars are considered a symbol of big dreams. When we say, "Reach for the stars," it means dream big.

The stripes are symbolic of the rays of light emanating from the sun.

There are 50 stars representing the 50 states and there are 13 stripes representing the 13 original states. Red symbolizes hardiness and valor. White is for purity and innocence. The blue represents justice.

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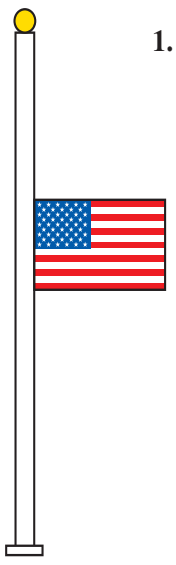
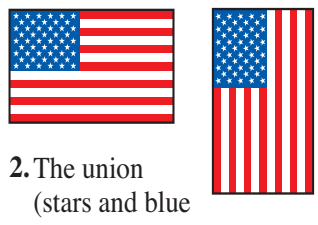
Flag Etiquette

There are rules for flying the American flag that help people show their flag the proper respect.



1. Flags are flown at half-mast to show grief for lives lost. When the flag is flown at half-mast, it should first be raised to the top of the flag pole for a moment and then lowered slowly to the half-mast position.



2. The union (stars and blue panel) should always be in the upper left corner when a flag is displayed as shown above.

3. The flag shouldn't be flown in bad weather. When possible it should be taken down at night. If the flag is flown at night, it should be illumintaed by a spotlight.

4. The flag should never touch the ground.

5. When a flag becomes old or damaged, it can be donated to a local Scouting troop for proper disposal.

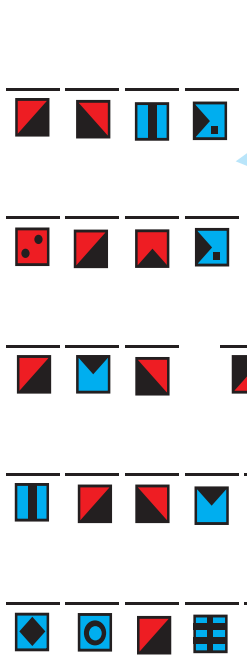
Write the Pledge of Allegiance here:

The Five Branches of the U.S. Military

Men and women who serve in our military are called veterans. Veterans Day is a day to thank them for their service defending our nation. Use the code to discover the five brances of the American military.

SECRET CODE

= A	= M
= C	= N
= D	= O
= E	= R
= F	= S
= G	= T
= H	= U
= I	= V
= L	= Y



How many stars can you find on this page? Have a friend try. Who found the most stars?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Circle every third letter to discover a nickname of the American flag.

ODFLJSDWV
GBNLQLOB
CRUGY

O

Extra! Extra!

Veterans Day Words

Look through the newspaper for five or more words that describe a veteran. Put the words into ABC order.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Here are some common symbols. Circle each one you have seen. Underneath each symbol, write what it means.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

VETERANS
MILITARY
COUNTRY
SYMBOL
PURITY
SECRET
NATION
DREAM
VALOR
STARS
LIGHT
FLAG
CODE
BLUE

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

T	H	G	I	L	M	A	E	R	D
N	A	T	I	O	N	T	Y	H	S
R	A	Y	S	B	B	A	R	N	N
T	K	T	S	M	L	T	A	S	O
E	A	I	L	Y	U	R	T	T	G
R	C	R	L	S	E	V	I	A	E
C	O	U	N	T	R	Y	L	R	T
E	D	P	E	R	R	F	I	S	A
S	E	V	A	L	O	R	M	N	S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop Vocabulary Builders

This week's word:
TREATY

The noun **treaty** means a formal written agreement between two or more countries.

The leaders signed a **treaty** to end the war.

Try to use the word **treaty** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

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Symbol Search

Look through the newspaper for a symbol. A symbol is a picture that has a meaning. Write what the symbol means and why you think it does or does not do a good job of expressing that meaning.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Among the most cherished items in a package to veterans and servicemen and women is a letter from a child showing their appreciation for their service. To participate go to **www.operationgratitude.com**

Write On!

My Hero

Write a paragraph about your personal hero. Be sure to tell why this person is your hero.