

Unit 6: USA Symbols

Content Area: **Social Studies**
Course(s): **Social Studies 1**
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Unit Summary

In this unit, students will be introduced to important men and women in American history. Students will become familiar with American symbols, where these symbols can be found, and their meaning.

Standards

CRP.K-12.CRP1	Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.
SOC.6.1.4.D.4	Explain how key events led to the creation of the United States and the state of New Jersey.
SOC.6.1.4.D.6	Describe the civic leadership qualities and historical contributions of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Benjamin Franklin toward the development of the United States government.
SOC.6.1.4.D.12	Explain how folklore and the actions of famous historical and fictional characters from New Jersey and other regions of the United States contributed to the American national heritage.
SOC.6.1.4.D.14	Trace how the American identity evolved over time.
SOC.6.1.4.D.17	Explain the role of historical symbols, monuments, and holidays and how they affect the American identity.
TECH.8.1.2.A.CS1	Understand and use technology systems.

Student Learning Objectives

The students will learn to...

- identify symbols of the United States.

Essential Questions

- What does it mean to be an American?

Enduring Understandings

Students will understand that...

- the United States of America has national symbols.
- national symbols represent various things.
- Americans celebrate national holidays.

Application

Students will be able to independently use their learning to...

- identify the importance of the symbols of the United States (bald eagle, American Flag, Statue of Liberty, Star Spangled Banner, Liberty Bell).

Skills

Students will be skilled at...

- defining and understand the term pledge.
- memorizing and recite the Pledge of Allegiance using the proper stance.
- defining and understand the term symbol.
- identifying, labeling, and explaining the meaning of the United States flag.
- identifying, labeling, and explaining the meaning of the United States National Bird: the American bald eagle.
- identifying and exploring national holidays.