

# Unit 4-America

Content Area: **Social Studies**  
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## Essential Question

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What are important symbols that represent American values?

## Big Idea

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The democratic principles this country was founded upon guide the actions of local, state and national government (e.g., authority, rights, responsibility, fairness, privacy, freedom to make choices).

## Cross-Curricular/ Asian American and Pacific Islander Lessons:

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Integration Area: Language Arts

RI.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

Activity:

The teacher will read aloud *Bringing in the New Year*, *Dim Sum for Everyone*, *Fortune Cookie Fortunes*, *The Ugly Vegetables* and *Kite Flying*. (Fountas & Pinnell Text Set 23: Grace Lin: Exploring Family and Culture). The students will ask and answer questions about key details in the texts.

## Social Justice

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See Appendix C

May:

Theme: Asian Pacific Islander Month and Memorial Day

## ['Ohana Means Family](#)

Question:

- What is everyone in 'Ohana Means Family getting ready for? (a party to celebrate family)

Activity: How do you get ready for a party in your family?

## [Cora Cooks Pancit by Dorina K. Lazo Gilmore and Kristi Valiant / Children's Story Time Read Aloud](#)

Question:

- What does Cora learn to cook? (pancits)

Activity: Describe your favorite food.

## [us Hero Dad Book Read Aloud Happy Memorial Day #herodadbook #memorialdaybooksforkids](#)

Question:

- Why is the boy's dad a superhero? (he is a soldier)

Activity: Draw a picture of your hero

## [Rolling Thunder - Memorial Day \(Read Aloud\)](#)

Question:

- Who does the book talk about? (possible answers: Soldiers, veterans, etc.)

Activity: Discuss: Why is it important to remember and honor those who fought for our country?

June:

Theme: Flag Day

## [us F is for Flag us| Read Aloud for kids! | Patriotic Books for Kids!](#)

Questions:

- What does our flag stand for? (our country)

Activity: Color our American Flag: [American Flag Print out](#)

### [FLAG DAY Children's Read Aloud Book](#)

Question:

- What day do we celebrate Flag Day? (June 14)

Activity: Recite the Pledge of Allegiance

### **CSDT Technology Integration**

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8.1.2.NI.1: Model and describe how individuals use computers to connect to other individuals, places, information, and ideas through a network

Activity:

Students will take a virtual tour of the Statue of Liberty.

### **CSDT Technology Connection**

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8.2.2.ITH.3: Identify how technology impacts or improves life

### **Enduring Understandings**

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6.1.2.Civics DP.1 Explain how national symbols reflect on American values and principles.

6.1.2.Civics DP.3 Explain how historical symbols, monuments and holidays reflect the shared values, principles, and beliefs of the American identity.

Activities & Assessments:

(LFO) What's Missing? American Symbols

(LFO) Show What You Know: The American Flag

(LFO) Show What You Know: Big, Beautiful Bird

(LFO) Eagle Diagram

Statue of Liberty Label It!

US Symbols Matching

My favorite American symbol... writing

## **Resources**

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Scholastic Let's Find Out: American Symbols

Scholastic Let's Find Out: The American Flag

Scholastic Let's Find Out: Big, Beautiful Bird

BrainPOP Jr. Statue of Liberty

BrainPOP Jr. U.S. Symbols

Fountas & Pinnell Text Set 23: Grace Lin: Exploring Family and Culture