

NSDAR Educational Resources Committee

"Fabulous Fun Flag Facts" Lesson Plan

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State: Virginia Topic: Fabulous Fun Flag Facts

Grade Level: 1st – 2nd Grade **Time Allocation:** 15 mins

1. Addresses Common Core Standards

Identify the standards to be addressed: Identification and Importance of the American Flag

- 3. Statement of the objective and lesson outcomes: Why the Flag is important and how to handle the flage
- 4. Materials, resources, and technology to be used by teacher/students: US Flag, Personalized Booklet
- 5. Introduction of the topic: Ask the Students why they think we say the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 6. Procedure for instruction: Opening question, feedback of students, flag activity, song, closing question
- 7. Lesson closure: Restate original question and finish with song
- 8. Assessment of student understanding: Feedback from introduction question compared to closing feedback

Fabulous Fun Flag Facts

Instructor's Materials

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- Standards to be addressed: Identification and the importance of the US Flag
- Objective and lesson outcomes: Students can identify the US Flag, importance and treatment of the flag
- Materials, resources and technology used: US Flag, Handout (can be made into a personalized book)
- Introduction of the Topic: Why we say the pledge of allegiance to the flag?
- Procedure for instruction: Opening question, feedback of the students, handout, restate the opening question
- Lesson Closure: Restate opening question and finish with the song, "You're a Grand Ole Flag"
- Assessment of student Understanding: Feedback should deepen understanding of the opening question

Opening Question: Why do we say the pledge of allegiance to the flag and why is the flag so special?

- Listen to feedback and identify main themes on board or butcher block board
- Repeat those reasons
- Ask the students to circle the US flag in their handout
- Ask the students why there are 50 stars on the flag-log on board
- Ask the students why there are 13 stripes on the flag-log on board

Did you know these Fabulous Fun Flag Facts?

- We have 50 state flags. Ours state flag is (State). But there is only one flag for all 50 states of America. That is the United States of America Flag.
- Can you identify our flag in your handout? Circle it!
- Did you know the flag should never touch the ground?
- Did you know the flag should never be burned or thrown in the trash?
- Did you know if you turn the flag upside down that means there is an emergency?

Did you know these Fabulous Fun Flag Facts? (Continued)

- Did you know that flags are lowered half way when America is sad for a loss of very important person or something sad has happened?
- Did you know that the 4th of July is a celebration of our county's birth day? We are 240 years-old!
 - Change year based on 1776
- Did you know that we say the pledge of allegiance to the flag to show we are proud to be American and promise to be good citizens
- Did you know that no matter what state flag is flown, the US flag is always flown higher?
- Do you know the flag's nickname is Ole Glory, Grand Ole Flag and the Star Spangled Banner?

Lesson Closure Question

- So why do you think we say the pledge of allegiance to the flag? Why is it so special? Why do celebrate our flag?
- I have a special song for you to learn...it is called the "You're a Grand Ole Flag"... you ready to learn it?

You're a Grand Ole Flag Lyrics

You're a grand old flag, You're a high flying flag And forever in peace may you wave. You're the emblem of The land I love. The home of the free and the brave. Every heart beats true Beneath the Red, White and Blue, Where there's never a boast or brag. Should auld acquaintance be forgot, Keep your eye on the grand old flag.

My Fabulous Fun Flag Fact Book

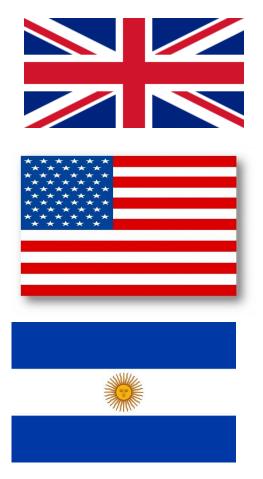
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Provided by the Daughters of the American Revolution

My Flag Facts

Circle the United States Flag



Fabulous Flag

Never let your flag touch the ground...



Fabulous Fun Fact

Did you know the flag should never be burned or thrown in the trash?



Did you know the flag flipped upside down means there is an emergency?



Fabulous Fun Fact

Did you know that flags are lowered half way when America is sad for the loss of a very important person or something sad has happened?

Did you know that the 4th of July is a celebration of our county's birthday?
We are 240 Years-Old!



Fabulous Fun Fact

Did you know we say the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag because we are proud to be American and promise to be good citizens?

I pledge of the United allegiance and to the republic to the flag for which it stands one nation under God indivisible with liberty and Justice for all

Did you know that the United States Flag is always flown higher than any other flag?



You're a Grand Old Flag Song

Did you know the United States flag has a few nicknames?
Old Glory
Grand Old Flag
Star Spangled Banner
The Stars and Stripes



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The home of the free and the brave.

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