

AMERICANISM

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Grades K-2

- Teach students the Pledge of Allegiance and how to properly salute the Flag.
- Present them with [Pledge of Allegiance bookmarks](#) that are available for free download from the website.
- When students learn the Pledge of Allegiance, give them a [Young American Award](#) and a [coloring book titled "I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag."](#) (both available from the VFW Store).
- You can also download and print out [Flag Education for Kids](#) from the Programs & Publicity Resources page of the National Organization's website the Auxiliary website and talk about displaying and saluting the Flag, and proper Flag disposal.

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HELP ME SO I CAN HELP YOU

Reporting: there are a few questions to answer when reporting on Americanism. As I read the reports submitted, I do help fill in some blanks. For example, when the question says you handed out flags, many of you not putting number of flags in the OTHER and only writing it in their paragraph. So, I go back and put the number in the spot so it tabulates at the end of the reporting year.

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 11, Patriot Day (National Day of Service and Remembrance). A day so many of us remember, one that I cry every year remembering the lives lost and the war after.

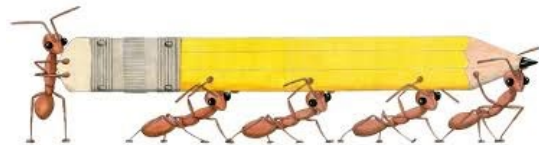
POW/MIA Recognition Day by custom is on the third Friday of September. Prisoner of War/ Missing in Action, people that are in our mind and hearts daily when loved ones did not come home when other did at the end of war. This is the perfect time for all Post and Auxiliary members do the Missing Man Table of Honor Ceremony.

IDEAS TO GET OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

- Contact your local school(s) and ask if they need new Flags to replace tattered ones. Ask your local Post if they will share in the cost of replacing the Flags. You can then present them with a [Flag Exchange Card](#) and invite them to the Flag retirement ceremony.
- Invite your local Post members to join you in presenting the thirteen folds of the Flag. An Auxiliary member can read the thirteen folds of the Flag while veterans proudly fold the Flag. Have on hand to pass out to the audience the [Flag Education Award Card](#) available from the VFW Store.
- Take information about the [Smart/Maher Teacher of the Year Award](#) to your local school(s) and give them to the Principal for distribution.
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It is time to get back to the basics and teach our nation's future leaders the true meaning of patriotism. In doing so, we will create awareness among parents and educators about the importance of bringing patriotism to the forefront in the classroom and the community.

WE ALL WORK TOGETHER TO GET IT DONE



American History Trivia Questions and Answers

Fun game to share with your Auxiliary

World War I

Question: What event led to the United States entering World War I?

Answer: The sinking of the Lusitania by a German submarine

Question: Who was the U.S. President during World War I?

Answer: Woodrow Wilson

Question: What was the name of the peace treaty that ended World War I?

Answer: The Treaty of Versailles

World War II

Question: Which U.S. naval base was attacked by the Japanese on December 7, 1941?

Answer: Pearl Harbor

Question: Who was the Supreme Commander of the Allied forces in Europe during World War II?

Answer: Dwight D. Eisenhower

Question: What were the names of the two atomic bombs dropped on Japan?

Answer: Little Boy and Fat Man

Vietnam War Era

Question: What event in 1969 marked the first successful manned mission to land on the moon?

Answer: Apollo 11 moon landing

Question: Which U.S. President escalated American involvement in the Vietnam War?

Answer: Lyndon B. Johnson

Question: What was the publication that exposed the Pentagon Papers, revealing government secrets about the Vietnam War?

Answer: The New York Times