

# United States Flag

1. How many stars are on the flag? What do the stars stand for?
2. How many stripes are on the flag? What do the stripes stand for?
3. Who is said to have made the first American Flag?
4. What do the three colors of the flag stand for?
5. Learn the correct procedure for displaying an American Flag at your school.
6. Learn the correct way to fold an American Flag.
7. Raise and lower the American Flag at your school\* for three days.

## Helps

1. Fifty stars, one for each state of the United States of America.
2. Thirteen stripes, seven red alternating with six white, one for each of the original thirteen colonies.
3. Betsy Ross, although historical research fails to establish this as absolute fact.
4. White: purity and innocence. Red: hardiness and valor. Blue: vigilance, perseverance and justice.
5. Display from sunrise to sunset, every day school is in session, weather permitting, or if flying an all-weather flag; raise briskly, lower ceremoniously; flag should not touch the ground as it is raised or lowered.
6. Fold the flag in half width-wise twice. Fold up a triangle, starting at the striped end and repeat until only the end of the blue field of stars is exposed. Then fold down the square into a triangle and tuck inside the folds so that none of the red and white of the stripes shows.
7. Get permission from the school of course. \*If you do not attend a school, ask at any public building for permission to either help with or do yourself the raising and lowering of the flag for three days.

Resource: Flag Rules and Regulations online.