

Song Words Matter

Listen for patriotic words and connect them to simple ideas.

SS1CG2 “Explore the concept of patriotism through the words in the songs America (My Country 'Tis of Thee) and America the Beautiful (for example: brotherhood, liberty, freedom, pride, etc.).”

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Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 HEAR IT _____

a	brotherhood	liberty	freedom
b	liberty	freedom	brotherhood
c	freedom	brotherhood	liberty

2 MATCH IDEAS _____

liberty	•	•	free
freedom	•	•	together
brotherhood	•	•	choices

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each song line aloud slowly, then read the choices aloud. Students listen for words that show respect and connection to a country and its people.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • HEAR IT

SAY "Listen to each line from a song. I will read the words in the row. Which word do you hear in the song line? Circle it."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	In America, listen: "Sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing." I will read brotherhood, liberty, freedom. Which word do you hear?	liberty
b	In America the Beautiful, listen: "Crown thy good with brotherhood." I will read liberty, freedom, brotherhood. Which word do you hear?	brotherhood
c	In America, listen: "From every mountainside, let freedom ring." I will read freedom, brotherhood, liberty. Which word do you hear?	freedom

PART 2 • MATCH IDEAS

SAY "Read the song words on the left with me: liberty, freedom, brotherhood. Now listen to the ideas on the right: free, together, choices. Draw a line from each song word to the idea that fits it."

- **liberty** matches **choices**
- **freedom** matches **free**
- **brotherhood** matches **together**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle liberty in row 1, brotherhood in row 2, and freedom in row 3. Match liberty to choices, freedom to free, and brotherhood to together.