

Picture Clues: American Symbols

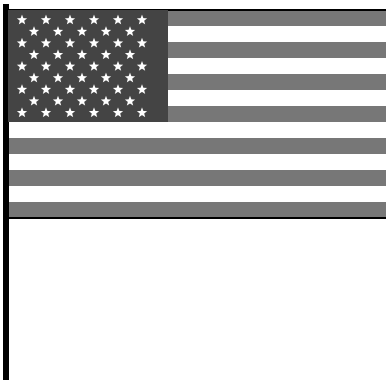
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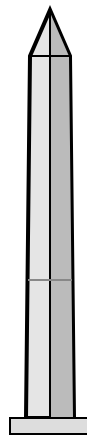
Page 1 - Name the Symbols

Listen as your teacher reads the directions. Look closely at each original picture.
For each picture, circle its name.

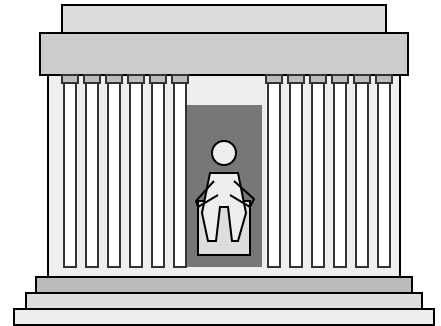
Picture A



Picture B



Picture C



Original simplified grayscale drawings. The flag has 50 stars and 13 stripes.

1. Picture	Circle its name.
A	U.S. flag Washington Monument Lincoln Memorial
B	U.S. flag Washington Monument Lincoln Memorial
C	U.S. flag Washington Monument Lincoln Memorial

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Page 2 - What Does Each Symbol Mean?

Use the pictures on Page 1. Read or listen to each meaning. Write the matching picture letter in each box.

2. Meaning	Picture letter
1. This memorial honors President Abraham Lincoln.	
2. This flag is a symbol of the United States.	
3. This monument honors President George Washington.	

3. My symbol talk: Circle one: U.S. flag / Washington Monument / Lincoln Memorial. Draw it. Then tell or write what it means.

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Answer Key and Teaching Notes

Answers

1. A: U.S. flag. B: Washington Monument. C: Lincoln Memorial.
2. Item 1: C. Item 2: A. Item 3: B.
3. Accept a drawing that matches the chosen symbol and an oral or written meaning. Sample: "I chose the U.S. flag. It is a symbol of our country." Also accept: "The Washington Monument honors George Washington," or "The Lincoln Memorial honors Abraham Lincoln." Spelling and sentence conventions are not scored.

Materials

Supplied: two student pages with original grayscale symbol illustrations and response spaces. Additionally needed: pencils; a document camera or display for Page 1; optional crayons. No cutting or outside images are needed.

Exact setup

1. Print one two-page set per student, keeping Page 1 visible for the activity.
2. Place pencils at seats.
3. Display Page 1 where all students can see it.
4. Keep Page 2 face down until students finish Item 1, or direct students to turn the page when ready.

Teacher-read script

"Today we will use picture clues to recognize three American symbols. Look at Picture A, Picture B, and Picture C. A symbol is a picture, place, or object that can stand for an important idea. First, quietly circle the name that matches each picture. Next, turn to Page 2. I will read each meaning. Find the picture that matches and write its letter. For the last part, choose one symbol. Draw it and tell what it means. You may say your answer to me before you write it."

If needed, repeat each meaning without adding the answer: "This memorial honors President Abraham Lincoln." "This flag is a symbol of the United States." "This monument honors President George Washington."

Observation method

During Items 1-2, use a three-column checklist for each student: identifies A, identifies B, identifies C. Mark each as independent, after one neutral reread, or not yet shown. For Item 3, listen for a symbol name or clear pointing plus one accurate meaning connection. Do not require students to read aloud, write independently, or use a complete sentence. If a student is unsure, point back to the picture and say, "Look for a clue in its shape." Do not name the answer.

Scope and source credit

This worksheet intentionally practices only three of the Georgia SSKH2 roster symbols; it does not claim full-standard coverage. The broader roster includes U.S./Georgia flags, the Pledge of Allegiance, the Star-Spangled Banner, bald eagle, Statue of Liberty, Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, and White House. Standard reference supplied for this task: Georgia SSKH2, <https://lessonmakerpro.com/standards/ga-social-studies/sskh2>. Illustrations and student wording are original classroom materials.