

Symbols Bring Us Together

Read how American symbols can connect people.

2.3d "Symbols of American democracy serve to unite community members."

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DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle each American democracy symbol. Underline words that tell how the symbols helped people feel together.

Shared American Symbols

- ① At Lincoln Elementary, students began the day with the American flag outside. They placed hands over their hearts and said the Pledge of Allegiance. The flag reminded students that people in many places belong to one country.
- ② In class, Ms. Lee showed pictures of three American symbols. The bald eagle is a national symbol. The Statue of Liberty stands in New York Harbor. The White House is where the president lives and works. Seeing these symbols can help community members feel united.
- ③ The class also learned about Mount Rushmore, a mountain carving of four presidents. During the school assembly, families saw a flag, an eagle poster, and a Mount Rushmore book. These shared symbols gave people something important to notice together.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 Which three symbols did families see at the school assembly?

2 How did the American flag help students feel connected?

3 What did the shared symbols give people at the assembly?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Think of a school or community event. Write two sentences that name one American democracy symbol that could be there and tell how it could help people feel united.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle each American democracy symbol. Underline words that tell how the symbols helped people feel together. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which three symbols did families see at the school assembly?	They saw a flag, an eagle poster, and a Mount Rushmore book.
2	How did the American flag help students feel connected?	It reminded them that people in many places belong to one country.
3	What did the shared symbols give people at the assembly?	They gave people something important to notice together.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

At our school assembly, we can stand by the American flag. It can remind us that we all belong to one country.

Accept the listed symbols or clearly named versions of them, such as eagle for eagle poster. For Part 3, accept any accurate American democracy symbol from the passage and a reasonable explanation of how it connects people.