# Pledge Words

Students identify key ideas, then explain them aloud.

**1.C.1.5.A** "Explain the purpose and meaning of The Pledge of Allegiance and the significance of the phrase "under God"."

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

## 1 CIRCLE IT

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|---|---|---|---|
| a | joke | promise | race |
| b | friend | school | country |
| c | care | speed | size |

## 2 TELL IT

| | |
|---|---|
| Pledge | |
| God | |

**ANSWER KEY**

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**GRADE 1 · 1.C.1.5.A**

## HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each prompt and its choices aloud. In Part 2, listen to each child's explanation, then check the word in each box. Record any help you give separately.

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

## PART 1 · CIRCLE IT

**SAY** "Listen to each question and the three choices. Circle one answer in each row."

| ROW | SAY | STUDENTS CIRCLE |
|---|---|---|
| a | Listen: joke, promise, race. What do people make when they say the Pledge of Allegiance? Circle one word. | **promise** |
| b | Listen: friend, school, country. The Pledge is about being loyal to which one? Circle one word. | **country** |
| c | Listen: care, speed, size. When some people say 'under God,' what do they believe God gives our country? Circle one word. | **care** |

## PART 2 · TELL IT

**SAY** "Look at the box marked Pledge. Tell me what the Pledge means and why people say it. Write one word to help you remember your answer. Now look at the box marked God. Tell me what 'under God' means to some people, then write one word to help you remember your answer."

- Box 1 (beside Pledge): **promise**
- Box 2 (beside God): **care**

## WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle answers: promise, country, care. Accept other relevant words in the boxes when the child explains aloud that the Pledge is a promise of loyalty to the United States and that 'under God' expresses some people's belief that God cares for or watches over the country.