

Symbols and Choices

Teacher-led listening, symbol identification, and voting practice.

1.13 "Citizenship. The student understands important symbols, customs, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles that contribute to our national identity..."

NAME _____

DATE _____

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

1 SYMBOL CHOICES

a	USFlag	TexasFlag	Alamo
b	Statue	TexasFlag	USFlag
c	LibertyBell	Statue	Alamo

2 AMERICA TOGETHER

a	Alamo	Statue	LibertyBell
b	TexasFlag	Statue	USFlag
c	YELL	WAIT	VOTE

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each row aloud, including all three choices, and have students circle one large word. Use the oral routine in Part 2 to hear students recite both pledges and name the anthems and mottoes.

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

PART 1 • SYMBOL CHOICES

SAY “Listen as I read each question and the three words in its row. Circle the word that answers each question.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Which name matches the flag with stars and stripes that stands for the whole United States: US Flag, Texas Flag, or Alamo?	USFlag
b	Which name matches the flag with one star that stands for Texas: Statue, Texas Flag, or US Flag?	TexasFlag
c	Which name matches the old Texas place in San Antonio where defenders fought in 1836: Liberty Bell, Statue, or Alamo?	Alamo

PART 2 • AMERICA TOGETHER

SAY “Stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag, then recite the Pledge to the Texas Flag. The United States anthem is The Star-Spangled Banner, its motto is In God We Trust, the Texas anthem is Texas, Our Texas, and the Texas motto is Friendship. People choose to wave flags, sing patriotic songs, or celebrate Independence Day to show love of country and freedom to make choices.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Which name matches the big bell in Philadelphia that reminds people of freedom: Alamo, Statue, or Liberty Bell?	Alamo
b	Which name matches the tall symbol in New York Harbor that welcomes people: Texas Flag, Statue, or US Flag?	Statue
c	A class needs to choose one game fairly. Which word names a way for everyone to make a choice: yell, wait, or vote?	VOTE

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle answers in order: USFlag, TexasFlag, Alamo, Alamo, Statue, VOTE. During the oral routine, accept accurate group or individual recitation of both pledges and correct oral names for the two anthems and two mottoes.