

Remembering With Respect

Read how communities observe Memorial Day.

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NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each action people or communities use to honor Memorial Day. Circle the words that tell who Memorial Day honors.

A Day of Remembrance

- ① Memorial Day is a national holiday in the United States. It is observed on the last Monday in May. On this day, people remember and honor members of the military who died while serving our country.
- ② In Virginia, some communities hold a parade or a ceremony. People may listen to music, carry flags, or place flowers at a memorial. These actions show respect and help neighbors remember the people being honored.
- ③ Families might visit a cemetery, where some service members are buried. Many people also have a quiet minute of remembrance. Memorial Day is not a day to thank people who are serving today. It honors those who died in service.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What national holiday does the passage describe, and when is it observed?

2 Name two ways a Virginia community may honor Memorial Day.

3 How do Memorial Day actions help a community?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write two sentences about a Memorial Day event your community could hold. Include one respectful action and explain how it would help people honor service members who died.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each action people or communities use to honor Memorial Day. Circle the words that tell who Memorial Day honors. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What national holiday does the passage describe, and when is it observed?	Memorial Day. It is observed on the last Monday in May.
2	Name two ways a Virginia community may honor Memorial Day.	Answers may include holding a parade, holding a ceremony, listening to music, carrying flags, or placing flowers at a memorial.
3	How do Memorial Day actions help a community?	They show respect and help people remember service members who died in service.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

My community could hold a quiet ceremony at the town hall. We could read the names of local service members who died, so people can remember and honor them.

Accept accurate community events that include a respectful action and explain that the action helps people remember or honor service members who died. Accept reasonable wording for the passage questions.