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Veterans Day

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What Does This Pack Include?

This pack has been created by teachers, for teachers. In it you'll find high quality teaching resources to help you talk with students about patriotism, courage and what it means to be a veteran.

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FACT SHEETS:	
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Discover what Veterans Day is and how we can celebrate it.	Explore the history of Veterans Day, how we can celebrate it and how it differs from Memorial Day.

CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS:	
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Discuss people in our lives who are veterans.	Discuss how we can show gratitude to veterans.

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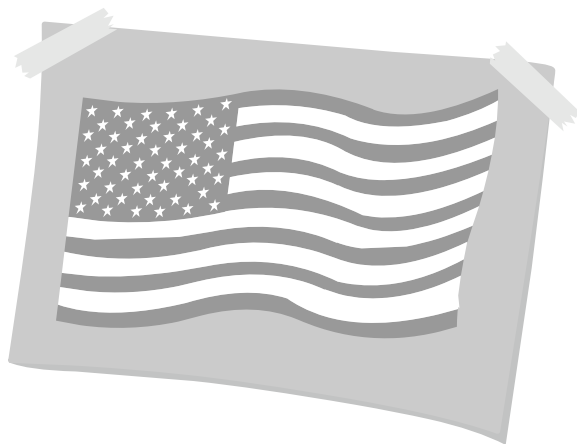


- Veterans Day is a day when we celebrate and honor people who served in the United States Armed Forces. These brave and patriotic men and women are called veterans.
- We celebrate Veterans Day on November 11 of each year.
- At school, we may have special assemblies to show our thanks for veterans. Cities and towns may have a parade, or a formal event called a ceremony.
- The Veterans Day National Ceremony is held at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. At this ceremony, the President places a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This is to honor those who died in service to our country, but whose names are not known.



Ideas for Celebrating Veterans Day

- Talk with a veteran about their experiences.
- Make cards for veterans who are in a hospital or Veterans' home.
- Sing a patriotic song.
- Have a moment of silence at 11:00 a.m.
- Attend or participate in a parade.
- Make a poster.
- Visit a war memorial.





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- We celebrate Veterans Day on November 11 of each year. This is because World War I officially ended at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month—11:00 a.m. on November 11th, 1918.
- Britain, France, Australia, and Canada also honor veterans on or near November 11.
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- As of 2014, there were 21.8 million veterans living in the United States. California, Texas, and Florida have the largest population of veterans.



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What's the Difference Between Veterans Day and Memorial Day?



Both are holidays for honoring people who have served in the United States Armed Forces. Memorial Day was originally set aside to remember those who died in service to the country, while Veterans Day is meant to thank and honor living veterans. However, it is appropriate to honor all veterans on both days.

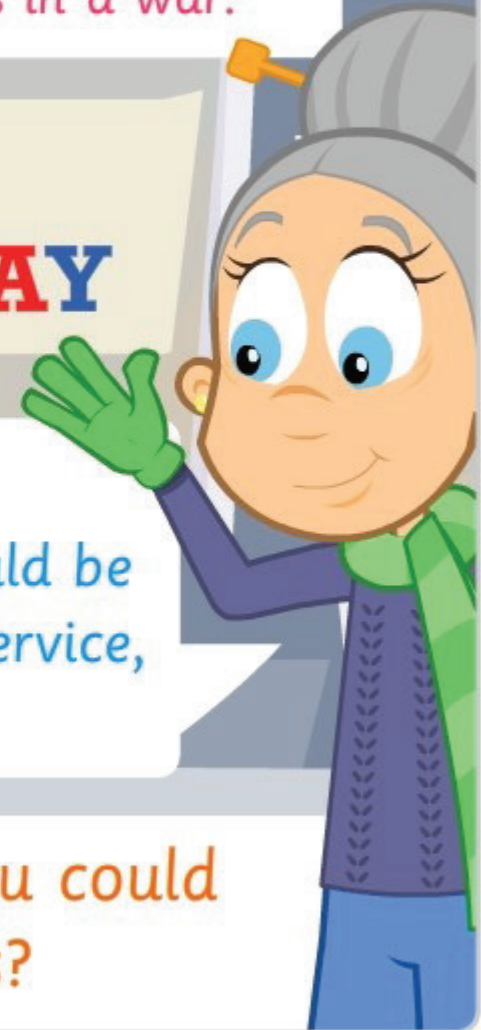


Yes! Mrs. Morley said she was in the army before she was a teacher. And I know that Sten's grandfather was in a war.

Thank a
VETERAN TODAY

That's right! Veterans are all around us every day. We should be sure to thank them for their service, especially on Veterans Day.

What are some ways that you could give thanks to veterans?



Granny and Manu are buying lunch for this veteran to thank her for her service to our country.



What is something you could do to show **gratitude** to a veteran?

You could make a card,
visit a hospital or home for veterans,
or ask a veteran to share his or her story with you.



What did you think of?
How many veterans do you know?

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