

Wreaths Across America

Lesson Plan

Teacher:	Date:
Grade: Kindergarten	Lesson: What is a Veteran? Veterans Day Service-Learning: Find A Way to Serve-Thank a Veteran!

OBJECTIVES: CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.2-Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood. CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.4-Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail. CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.		STRATEGIES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing/Coloring <input type="checkbox"/> Writing <input type="checkbox"/> Think/Pair/Share <input type="checkbox"/> Modeling <input type="checkbox"/> Collaboration <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Questions <input type="checkbox"/> Small Groups <input type="checkbox"/> Large Group
MATERIALS:	Computer/laptop; internet (with access to YouTube); Smart Board; Copies of Vocabulary Practice Sheet, Word Search; Thank You Letter to Veterans	
Engage: Hook the students	1. Think/Pair/Share Activity- Pair the students with a partner. Explain the T/P/S directions. The students will think of their answer, get with their partner and share their answer. T/P/S Question: <u>Who are your "superheroes"?</u> 2. What is the difference in a superhero and a real-life hero? Who are your everyday "real-life" heroes? Why are they your heroes?	
Explore: Students make sense of a concept through observations.	3. Play the Nuggets of Information-Veterans Day for Kids video. https://youtu.be/PC3Q-N07WY4 4. What qualities make someone a hero? for example: bravery, sacrifice 5. What is freedom?	
Explain: Teacher introduces formal vocabulary and language to students.	hero service veteran freedom sacrifice honor Veterans Day	
Elaborate: Students apply what they have learned.	Play the Storytime Channel for Kids-Storytime with Tristan, "Veterans: Heroes in Our Neighborhood" by Valerie Pfundstein and Illustrated by Aaron Anderson video. https://youtu.be/9xrMAY-fDN0 What day do we celebrate Veterans Day? Why do we honor our Veterans? Model-How to write or say Thank You to a Veteran.	
Evaluate: assessment.	Vocabulary Practice Sheet; Word Search Puzzle; Using the template, write a Thank You note to a Veteran; mail them to a VA Hospital or VA Home	
Enrichment/Service-Learning	Write a Thank You note to a Veteran, mail them to a VA Hospital or VA Home, Color one of the Veterans Day Coloring sheets to enclose!	

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Vocabulary Practice

hero hero hero

Veteran Veteran

Veteran

service service service

freedom freedom

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sacrifice sacrifice

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honor honor honor

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WORD SEARCH PUZZLE-VETERANS DAY

H	Q	R	M	A	L	N	Q	W
O	F	R	E	E	D	O	M	Y
N	H	I	O	S	P	A	D	H
O	P	K	L	E	B	V	C	E
R	N	D	O	R	L	T	Z	R
W	D	O	P	V	G	D	A	O
S	A	C	R	I	F	I	C	E
P	Y	E	H	C	M	C	D	T
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FREEDOM
HERO
SERVICE
SACRIFICE
VETERAN
HONOR

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Veterans Thank You Letter

Dear Veteran,

Thank you for your

service to our country

and for protecting our

freedoms.

You are a hero!

Yours truly,

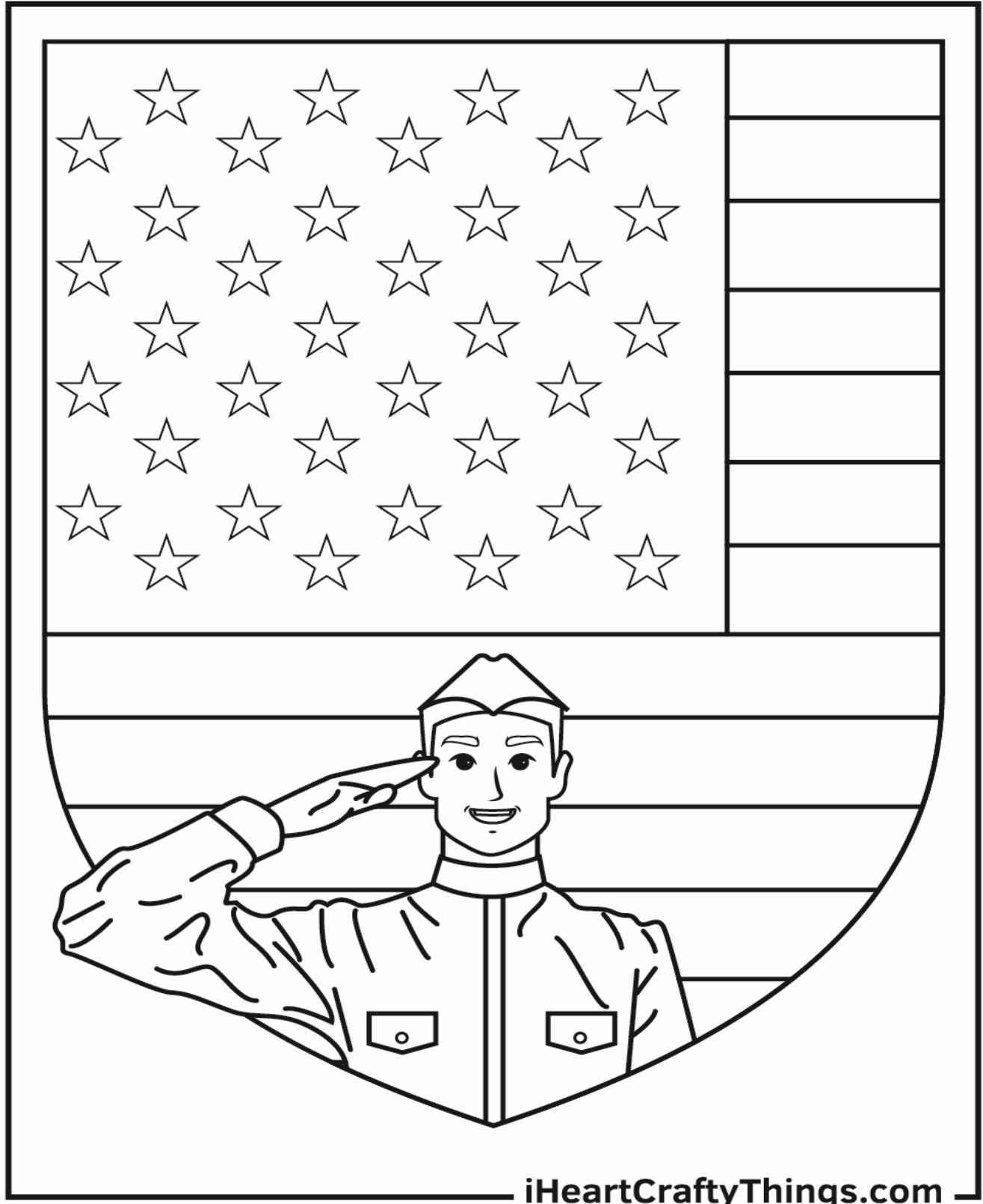


Remember-Honor-Teach

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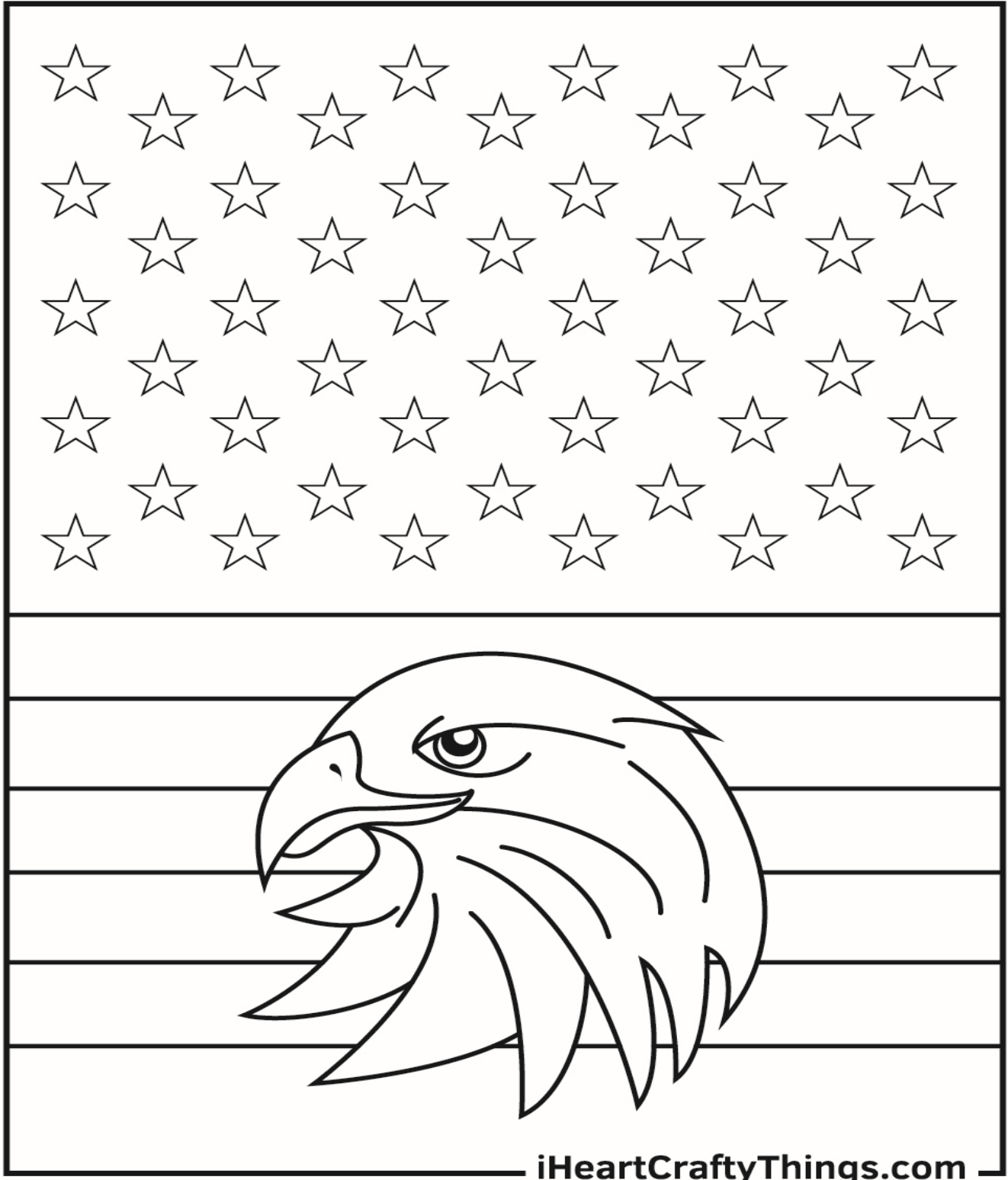
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