

# Wreaths Across America

## Lesson Plan

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Grade: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Lesson: Memorial Day

<b>OBJECTIVES:</b> <u>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.2.7</u> Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., read a number of books on a single topic to produce a report; record science observations). <u>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.2.8</u> Recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.		<b>STRATEGIES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Drawing/Coloring</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Think/Pair/Share</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Collaboration</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Questions</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Small Groups</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Large Group</li> </ul> <p>*Before conducting this lesson, make sure you are aware of students who may have parents deployed in the Military, or who may be Gold Star Children.</p>
<b>MATERIALS:</b>	Computer/laptop; internet (with access to YouTube); Smart Board; copies of the Memorial Day Word Search; copies of the Memorial Day Poppy Wreath Coloring Sheet; copies of the Memorial Day Main Ideas Worksheet	
<b>Engage:</b> Hook the students	Share the Power Point by clicking on the link, <a href="#">What is Memorial Day?</a> 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: What can you do to honor a fallen hero on Memorial Day?	
<b>Explore:</b> Students make sense of a concept through observations.	Play the video, <i>Memorial Day (History for Kids) Educational Videos for Students (Learning Cartoon Network)</i> <a href="https://youtu.be/SGdg6cf2TpE">https://youtu.be/SGdg6cf2TpE</a> <b>PowerPoint and Video Reflection Questions:</b> What is Memorial Day? Who does Memorial Day honor? When do we observe Memorial Day? What was Memorial Day called originally? What is the difference in Veterans Day and Memorial Day? What time do Americans pause on Memorial Day to honor those who have died in the military? What is the official flower of Memorial Day? Why was the poppy selected as the official flower of Memorial Day? Why is it important for Americans to recognize Memorial Day? What is one way you will honor America's Fallen Heroes?	
<b>Explain:</b> Teacher introduces formal vocabulary and language to students.	honor sacrifice bravery	Civil War Decoration Day Memorial Day
<b>Elaborate:</b> Students apply what they have learned.	Students will answer the Oral Question and Answer video reflection questions from the <i>Memorial Day</i> video; students will complete the Memorial Day Word Search; and the Coloring Worksheet.	
<b>Evaluate:</b> assessment.	Memorial Day Main Ideas and Details Worksheet; Memorial Day Poppy Wreath Coloring Worksheet; Memorial Day Word Search; Memorial Day Main Ideas Worksheet	
<b>Enrichment/Service-Learning Project</b>	Students can color the Memorial Day Poppy Wreath and place them up around the classroom or in the halls of their school.	

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### Memorial Day Main Idea and Details Worksheet

Read the Main Idea, write 4 details that support the Main Idea in the boxes below.

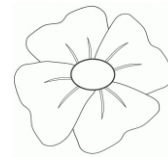
#### Main Idea

Memorial Day is an important holiday in the United States.

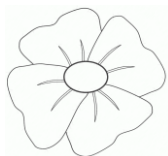
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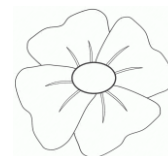
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**DETAIL 3**



**DETAIL 4**



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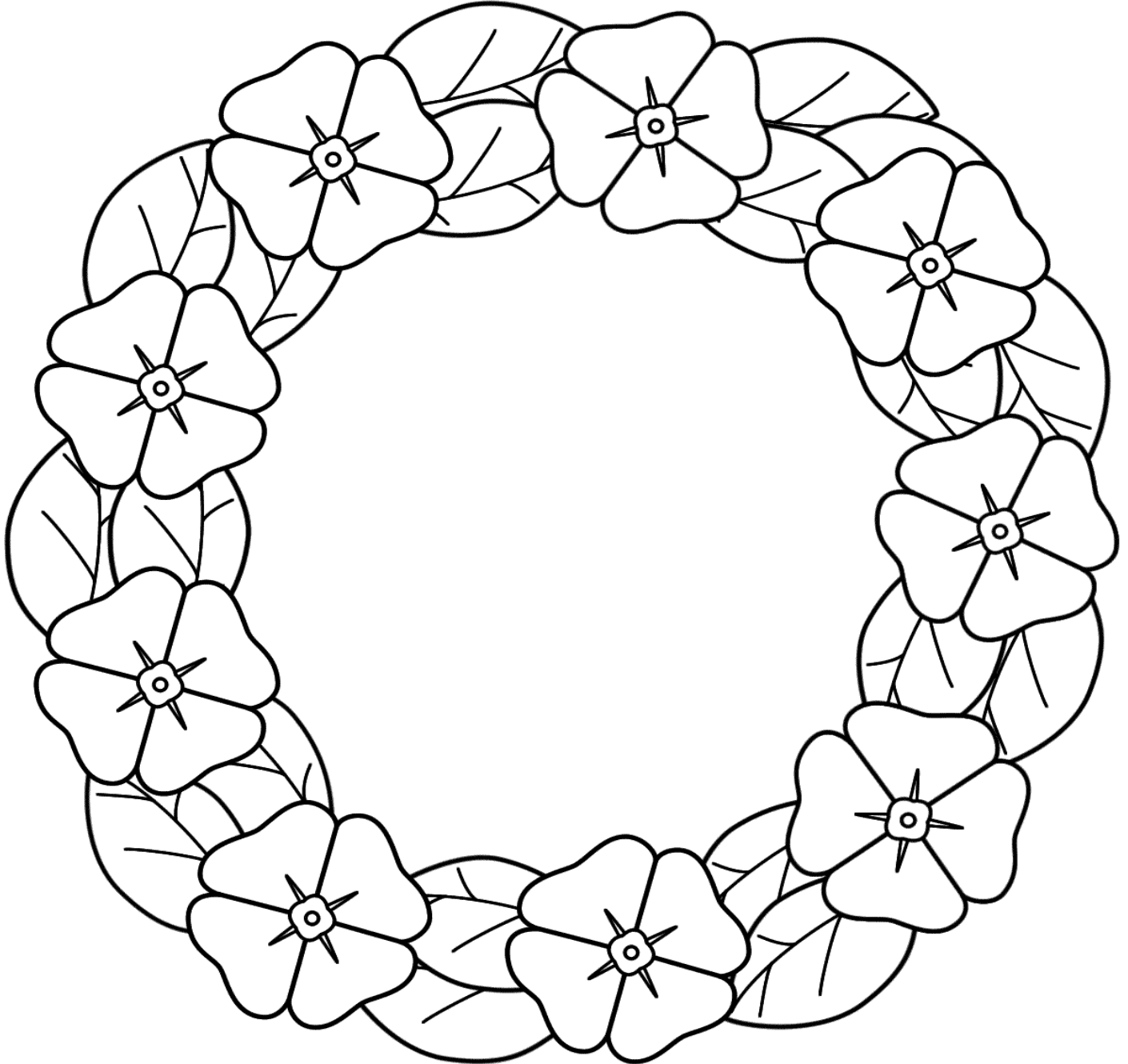
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### Memorial Day Poppy Wreath

Color the wreath, write 2 sentences inside the wreath about why we observe Memorial Day.



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### Memorial Day Wordsearch Puzzle

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R	B	F	V	I	T	G	B	R	Y	H	N	M	M	V
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### Answer Key

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