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## The American Flag

Learn more about this topic! Each section gives more detail on one of the lyrics from the song. Read each section, and then respond by answering the question or taking notes on key ideas.

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Flags are made out of cloth or a material like cloth. They are usually rectangular or square. They have designs on them and are attached to a pole or stick. Flags usually represent, or stand for, something. Countries and states have flags. A town, city, or school might have a flag, too.

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The 13 stars and stripes on the first American flag represented the 13 original colonies. The American flag still has 13 stripes today. In the 1600s, people from England began sailing to America. They established colonies. Colonists still had to follow England\xe2\x80\x99s rules. In 1776, the American colonies declared independence from England. The colonists won the Revolutionary War and earned the right to make their own rules.

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Many countries have rules about how to treat its flag. The American flag is not supposed to touch the ground. It\xe2\x80\x99s also supposed to be carried a certain way and not displayed upside down. Another rule states that the flag should not be worn as clothing. There are also rules about how to raise and lower the American flag on a flagpole.

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