



# Why America? The Military, Memorial & Flag Days

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## TEACHER GUIDE

### OVERVIEW

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### WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE TRIP

Our final Why America? program will engage students in interactive lessons that focus on who protects the contract between government and the people, and how we celebrate our nation's armed forces and symbols. Students will interact with active duty men and women who serve our country.

### PROJECT & LESSON IDEAS

The Common Core ELA Standards and DC Social Studies Standards are embedded near the beginning of the CER-produced Why America? lesson plans here:

[The Military \(4th - 5th Grade\)](#)

[The Military \(6th - 8th Grade\)](#)

[Memorial & Flag Day \(4th - 5th Grade\)](#)

[Memorial & Flag Day \(6th - 8th Grade\)](#)

Other Lesson Plan Ideas:

What can you do for your country? PBS Newshour

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/lessons-plans/what-can-you-do-for-your-country/>

### ONLINE RESOURCES

Article 1 Section 8 of the Constitution

<http://americanusconstitution.com/article1section8.html>

The Pentagon

<https://pentagontours.osd.mil/Tours/>

US Department of Defense: Know Your Military

<https://www.defense.gov/KnowYourMilitary/>

US Department of Defense: Interactive Experience

<https://www.defense.gov/Experience/Listing/>