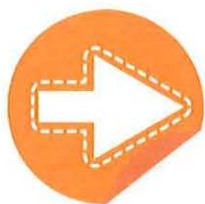




Here are three fun ways that you can teach your Builders about their country. Adapt the activities to meet the needs of your Builders or create your own.





The following activities fulfill the requirements for My World II: The World of Other People. See the Builder Activity Book for accompanying worksheet(s).

ACTIVITY

1

True or False Country Scramble

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MINUTES

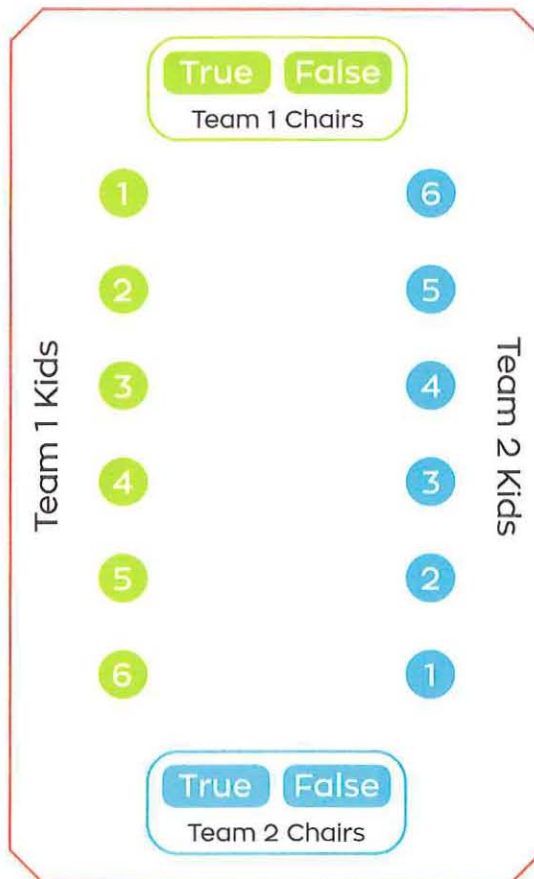
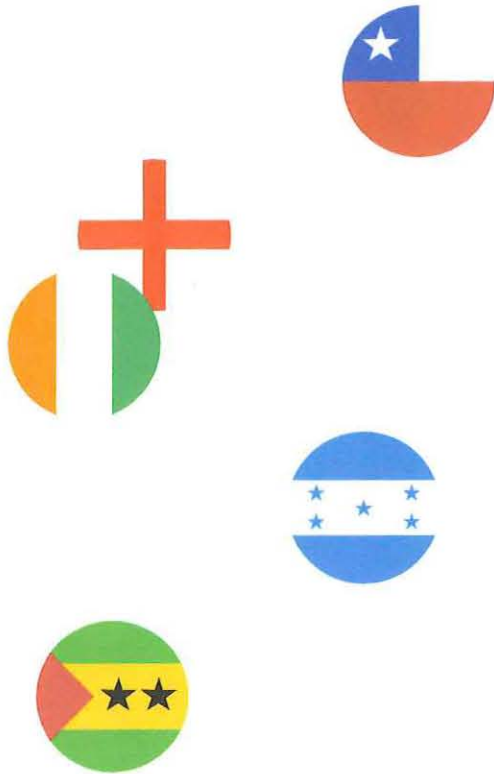
MATERIALS NEEDED

- Facts about your country. For ideas, search the Internet for “country facts for kids” or get a children’s history book from the library
- Chairs, two per team
- Paper, two pieces per team
- Marker
- Tape

WHAT YOU DO

Ahead of time: Use the paper and marker to make a “true” sign and a “false” sign for each team. Tape the signs to each team’s chairs.

Ask the Builders what it means to be a good citizen. Then share that one way is to know about their country and that they will play a game about facts about their country. Divide the children into even numbered teams. Have the teams sit on the floor. Assign each child a number. Ask the Builders true or false questions about your country. (Examples: the name of the president/prime minister, the capital of the country.) Then call out a number. The children with that number run to the chair with the correct label and sit down. Make sure to identify who got the answer correct. Repeat the process until you’ve asked all of your questions. If time permits, play again.





Patriotic Songs

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MINUTES

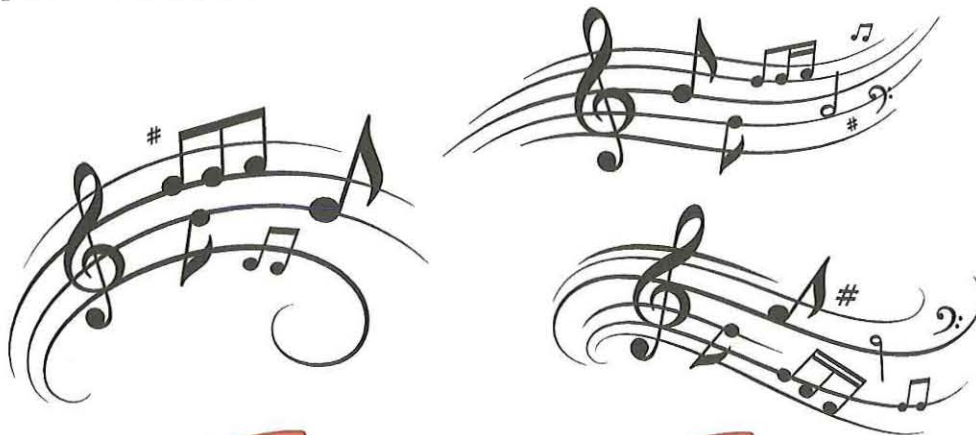
WHAT YOU DO

Ask the Builders if they know their country's national anthem. Discuss etiquette during the anthem. In the U.S. everyone stands, faces the flag, men remove their hats, and people put their right hand over their heart. In Canada everyone stands and men remove their hats. Share what is appropriate etiquette for where you live. If the children know the national anthem, sing it and use correct etiquette. If not, teach it to them. If time permits, teach the children some additional fun patriotic songs. While singing patriotic songs, you can have the kids wave flags while marching in place or around the room.

2 ACTIVITY

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Your country's national anthem
- Patriotic songs (search the Internet for "patriotic songs for kids" or visit your local library for books or CDs)
- Prerecorded music to accompany the songs (unless you can line up a pianist or other musician)
- Small flags





ACTIVITY

3

Flag Windsock

20
MINUTES

WHAT YOU DO

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Cylindrical cardboard oatmeal containers, one per child
- Construction paper in the colors of your country's flag
- Crepe paper streamers in the colors of your country's flag
- Glue
- String
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- Stapler

Ahead of time: Cut the bottom out of each oatmeal can. Measure and cut the construction paper that you are using for the main color on the oatmeal can so it will wrap around and completely cover the oatmeal can. Complete your own windsock to show as a sample.

American Flag Windsock

First, glue a blue piece of construction paper onto the oatmeal container. Then cut out and glue white stars onto the blue paper. Cut four-foot strips of red and white crepe paper and glue or staple (alternate the colors) to the bottom of the container. Punch four holes on the top of the container. Cut two pieces of string about three feet long. Tie each end of the string to the windsock. (Each end of one string should be tied through the opposite hole.) Tie a four-foot piece of string to the smaller pieces of string. You'll use this to hang the windsock.

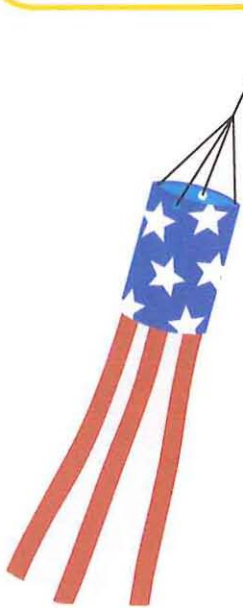
Canadian Flag Windsock

First, glue a white piece of construction paper onto the oatmeal can. Then glue red strips of construction paper over the ends of the white paper to look like the background of the Canadian flag. Cut out a red maple leaf and glue it on the white central part of the windsock. Cut 1.2 m strips of the red and white crepe paper. Glue or staple the crepe paper (alternate the colors) to the bottom of the container. Punch four holes on the top of the container. Cut two pieces of string about 30.5 cm long. Tie each end of the string to the windsock. (Each end of one string should be tied through the opposite hole.) Tie a 1.2 m piece of string to the smaller pieces of string. You'll use this to hang the windsock.

Other Flag Windsocks

Follow the instructions for the Canadian and American windsocks. Use the colors from your country's flag. If you have a complicated emblem on the flag, you may want to give the Builders stickers of the emblem to decorate their windsocks, or you can print out a coloring sheet of your flag for the children to color and glue onto the windsock.

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Requirement: My World II, A and B