# Patriotic Symbols & Landmarks

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# Target Audience

- + Grade 3
- + 20 Students
- + Social Studies Lesson
- + Varying Abilities

## Big Idea

#### **Essential Question**

- Understand different patriotic symbols and landmarks for our country.
- Understand the importance of these symbols and landmarks.

- + What symbols and landmarks best represent our country?
- + Why are patriotic symbols and landmarks important for our country and its citizens?

#### **Lesson Description**

- + Whole class discussion on our country, the United States of America, and the definitions of symbols and landmarks.
- + Create a list of symbols and landmarks that students know.
- View and discuss different patriotic symbols and landmarks that represent our country. Why are they important to the United States?
- + Use attached photos to identify each symbol or landmark, and read about why they are important.
- + Complete scrapbook by coloring symbols and landforms correctly, and writing important facts about each picture.

## American Flag

Before



#### After



The American flag is a symbol of liberty and unity. There are 50 stars that represent The United States of America's fifty states. There are 13 stripes on the American flag that represent the thirteen original colonies.

Seidel, Brandon (Photographer). (2015, June 23). American Flag [digital image]. Retrieved from http://www.newsmax.com/US/confederate-flag-controversy-south-carolina/2015/06/23/id/651867/

# Bald Eagle

Before



#### After



The bald eagle was chosen to be our national bird for it's courage, strength, and freedom. The bald eagle is pictured on many United States coins, the one dollar bill, and the presidential flag.

Erickson, Laura (Photographer). (2011, May). Bald Eagle Flying [digital image]. Retrieved from https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/Bald\_Eagle/id

# Liberty Bell

Before



After



The Liberty Bell is located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Liberty Bell rang to celebrate our nations new found freedom. The Liberty Bell rang to celebrate important dates like the Fourth of July and to honor presidential elections and deaths. The liberty Bell cracked in 1846.

Warby, William (Photographer). (2007, November 11). Liberty Bell [digital image]. Retrieved from https://www.flickr.com/photos/wwarby/2229923385

#### The Lincoln Memorial





After



The Lincoln Memorial honors the life of our 16<sup>th</sup> president, Abraham Lincoln. As president, he was dedicated to the freedom of all people. His statue stands for unity, strength, and wisdom. Pennies dated before 2008 had the Lincoln Memorial on the back.

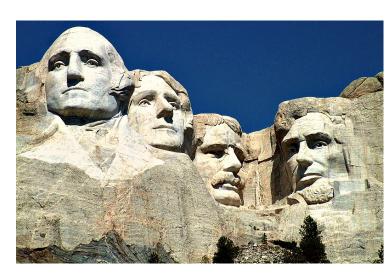
Jeffas, Caitlin (Photographer). (2017, June 5). Lincoln Memorial [digital image].

#### Mount Rushmore

Before







Mount Rushmore is a gigantic mountain sculpture in South Dakota. It is a monument built to represent the first 150 years of history of the United States. The four presidents included are: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln.

Bowen, Jim (Photographer). (2005, August 20). Mount Rushmore [digital image]. Retrieved from https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Mount\_Rushmore\_National\_Memorial.jpg

# Statue of Liberty

Before



After



The Statue of Liberty is a giant sculpture that stands on an island near New York. Liberty's right hand holds a torch that is a symbol of freedom. Her tablet in her left hand has America's Independence Day written in Roman numerals; July 4, 1776.

James, Dominique (Photographer). (2009, November 7). Statue of Liberty [digital image]. Retrieved from https://www.flickr.com/photos/dominiquejames/4621961395/

#### The White House

Before After





The White House is the official home of the President of the United States of America. It is located in Washington, D.C., the capital city of the United States. The first president to move into the white house was John Adams.

Jeffas, Caitlin (Photographer). (2017, June 5). The White House [digital image].

## **US Capitol Building**

Before





After

The US Capitol Building symbolizes our government. The US Capitol is where laws are made by our government. Congress meets here and votes on new laws.

Jeffas, Caitlin (Photographer). (2017, June 4). US Capitol [digital image].

# Washington Monument

Before



**After** 



The Washington Monument honors our first president, George Washington. It is the tallest building in Washington D.C. and by law, no other building in Washington D.C. is allowed to be taller.

Jeffas, Caitlin (Photographer). (2017, June 5). Washington Monument [digital image].

#### The Constitution

Before After





The Constitution is the highest law in the United States. The Constitution says how the government works. The Constitution creates the presidency, Congress, and the Supreme Court.

Blair, Eric. (2013, May 8). US Constitution [digital image]. Retrieved from http://www.activistpost.com/2013/05/us-suspends-constitution-in-permanent.html