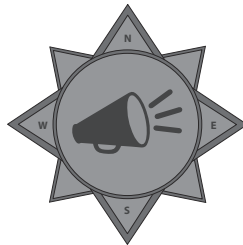


PATRIOTS DAY

On September 11, 2001 four commercial airplanes were hijacked. Two were flown into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, one crashed into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., and the fourth crashed in the fields near Shanksville, PA. Our parents remember where they were when they heard the news of the terrible events.

FLIP OVER FOR YOUR NEXT CHALLENGE



EARN THIS NUGGET

- Talk to your parents about September 11 and what they remember.
- Make plans with your family to serve others on September 11.

Rockhoppers:

- Draw a picture to honor first responders.
- Bake some cookies or a cake to take to a fire station to thank firefighters.

Cragmen:

- Write an essay, a story, or a poem about some part of the events of September 11.

In New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania fire fighters, emergency medical services, and law enforcement officers were the first ones to go to the places. The people who go immediately to an emergency or accident are called first responders. Some of the first responders also died while helping the people at the World Trade Center.

In December 2001, President George W. Bush declared September 11 as Patriots Day to remember those who died that day-- more than 3,000 people. Many people have a moment of silence at 8:46 Eastern Daylight Time. This is the time the first plane flew into the World Trade Center. The United States flag is flown at half-staff and a proclamation in honor of Patriots Day is issued by the President and many state and local officials.

In 2009, President Barrack Obama signed the Edward M. Kennedy Service Act, which declares September 11 as National Day of Service and Remembrance. Many communities, organizations, and families plan events to provide service to others. In our community, we help each other prepare for fall and have a picnic for the first responders.

The World Trade Center has been rebuilt with one tower called the Freedom Tower. It includes a memorial to September 11, 2001. The section of the Pentagon that was destroyed was rebuilt. The building project was called The Phoenix Project. It reopened in August 2012.

A memorial has been built at the Pentagon also. In Shanksville PA, the site of the last plane crash, a Memorial Plaza has been built to remember the people who died there.



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Summary: A lesson to help children learn about the events of September 11, 2001 and think of ways to serve the community.

Internal resources:

<http://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/11th-september-memorial>

<http://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/forever-in-our-hearts-september-11-2001>

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Sites to recommend to parents for coloring pages:

<http://parenting.lee-hansen.com/downloads/coloring/Patriotic/USA/september-11-coloring.htm>

<http://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/we-remember-9-11-01>

