

# Memorial Day Poem and Writing Paper

## ACTIVITY/ASSIGNMENT

### HIGH FIVE!

**Step One:** Read the passage with a family member and talk about the poem. Ask wh-questions (who, what, when, where, why, how) and engage in conversation. Keep the dialogue going and also ask Yes/No questions related to the poem and passage.

**Step Two:** Underline unfamiliar words and then grab a Dictionary or go to [www.merriam-webster.com](http://www.merriam-webster.com) and define the words.

**Step Three:** Below draw pictures of a man or woman in the military **OR** draw pictures of a Memorial Day celebration **OR** pictures of you celebrating Memorial Day.

**Step Four:** Write a short paragraph about your drawing. Make sure to use at least ONE unfamiliar word that you looked up or select a word from the poem or passage and add it to your short passages below. Check for grammar and Punctuation.

**Step Five:** Take a photo and email it back to your Speech Teacher so that she can also be a part of your creativity. Email: [jcanelo1@yonkerspublicschools.org](mailto:jcanelo1@yonkerspublicschools.org)

Memorial Day is a patriotic holiday. We honor all the men and women that have fought and died for our freedom. Memorial Day is always on the last Monday of May. There are many ways people celebrate this special day!

Kids can say the pledge, sing patriotic songs, or read patriotic poems to remember those that were in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines. Some cities have parades to celebrate Memorial Day. Many people display the American flag in their homes and yards. Many people think of Memorial Day as the beginning of summer. People have picnics, pools open, and friends get together.

*\* During this quarantine, may we all get together in spirit and good harmony. May we stay united, safe, and healthy. Together we will rise. We are not alone and we are in this together! - Ms. Canelo \**



**Memorial Day Poem/Memorial Patriotic Poetry**

**God Bless Our Native Land**

By Frances E. W. Harper

God bless our native land,

Land of the newly free,

Oh may she ever stand

For truth and liberty.

God bless our native land,

Where sleep our kindred dead,

Let peace at thy command

Above their graves be shed.

God help our native land,

Bring surcease to her strife,

And shower from thy hand

A more abundant life.

God bless our native land,

Her homes and children bless,

Oh may she ever stand

For truth and righteousness.

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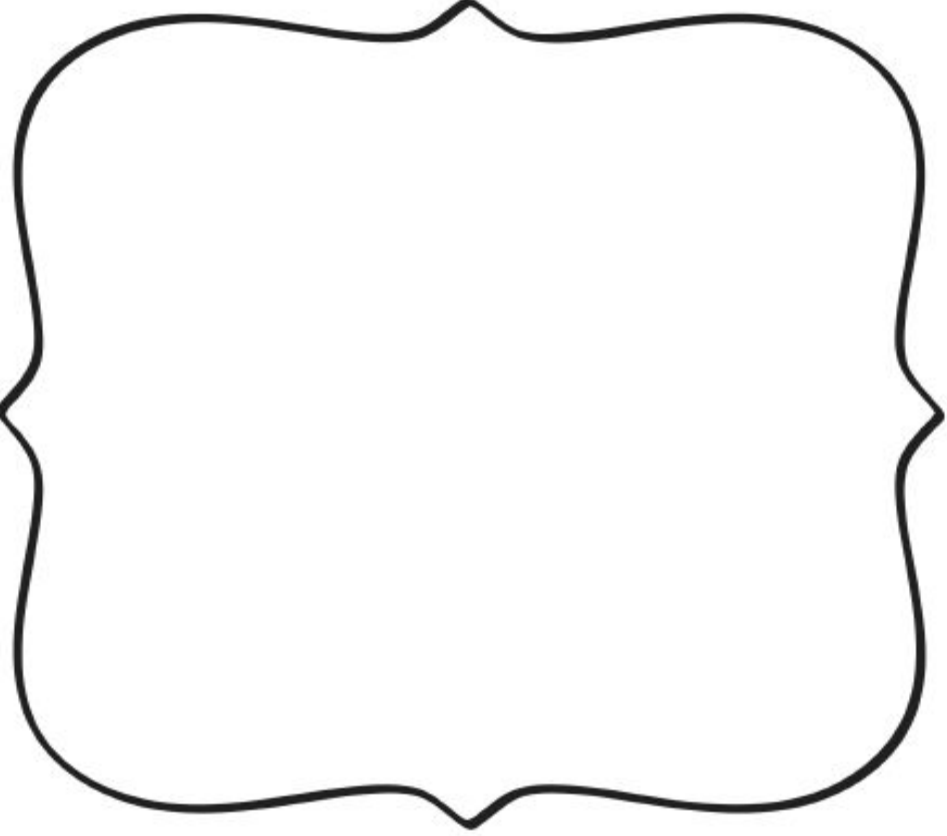
## Memorial Day



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What will you do on Memorial Day?

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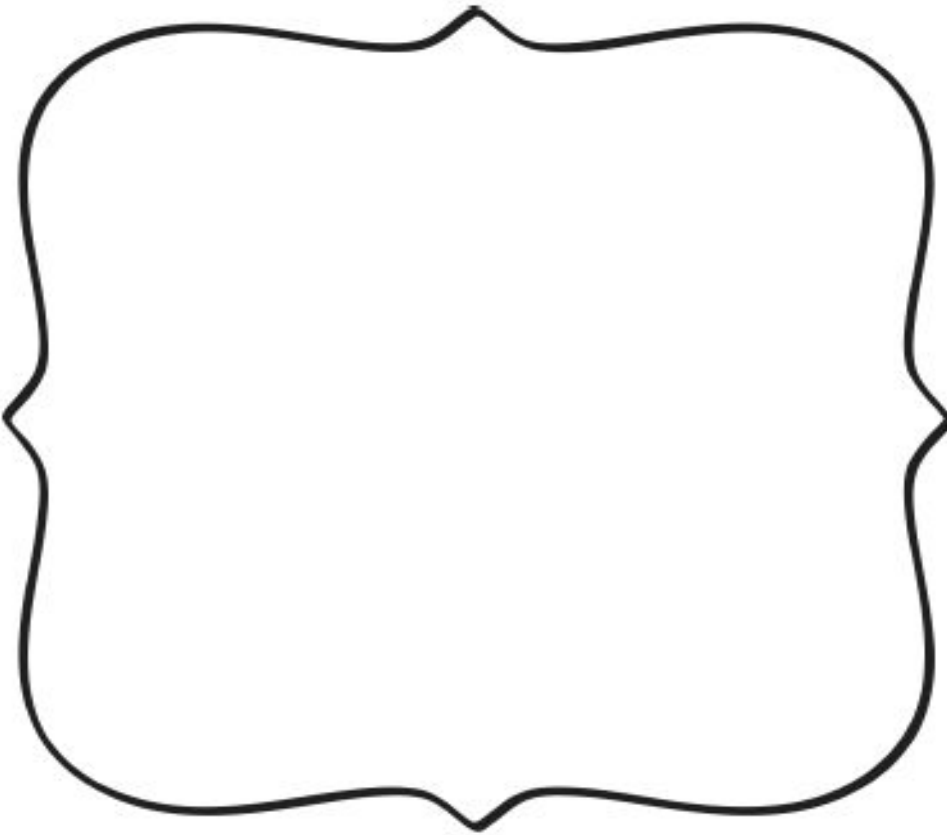
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What did you do on Memorial Day?

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **What does Memorial Day mean to you?**

**To me, Memorial Day** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Draw a Memorial Day  
picture.**

A large, empty rounded rectangle with a black border, intended for a child to draw a picture related to Memorial Day.