

Evropski jezikovni listovnik

FLAG DAY – June, 2021



In the USA, **14th June** is Flag Day. The US flag is **245 years** old. Sorry, but Flag Day is not an official state holiday, so kids have to be at school and people have to work. The US flag has a special name: **Stars and Stripes**.

The first, Unofficial Thirteen Colonies Flag (1776)



Betsy Ross (or more likely Francis Hopkinson, a tailor and signer of the Declaration of Independence) made this flag with 13 stars and 13 stripes, one for each of the colonies: Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, South Carolina, New Hampshire, Virginia, New York, North Carolina and Rhode Island.

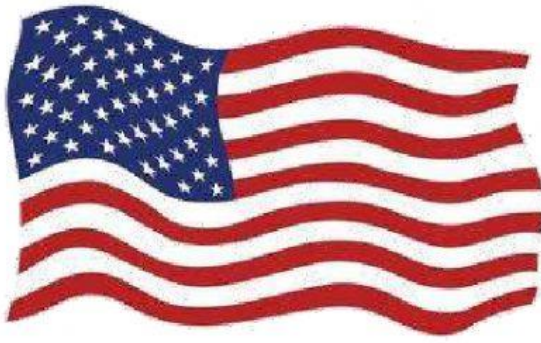
Look at the flag and answer the questions / fill in the text with colours:

How many stars does the flag have?

How many stripes does the flag have?

The flag starts with a _____ stripe, followed by a _____ stripe and then _____ again. The stars are _____, designed in a circle on _____ surface.

The Flag today (since 1960)



In 1958, a 17-year-old boy was given a project at school: Design the new American flag, since there are two states, which are going to join the US, Alaska and Hawaii. **Robert G. Heft** originally received a B- for the project. After discussing the grade with his teacher, it was agreed (somewhat

jokingly) that if the flag were accepted by Congress, the grade would be reconsidered. After his design was chosen to be the next flag of the US, his teacher kept to their agreement and changed his grade to an A for the project.

Look at the flag and answer the questions / fill in the text with colours:

How many stars does the flag have?

How many stripes does the flag have?

What changed if you compare it to the previous one?

Pledge of Allegiance - Objuba zvestobe

Whenever the Americans lift their flag, especially in school mornings, they turn to the flag and speak the words of the Pledge of Allegiance.








*I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America,
and to the Republic for which it stands,
one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8lE9uijuMes>

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How to properly fold the US flag?

On special occasions, Americans fold their flag in a way in forms a triangle.

<p>Folding the American Flag</p> <p><i>The Art of</i> MANLINESS <small>MANLINESS</small></p>	 <p>Hold the flag waist-high with a partner; the flag should be parallel with the ground.</p>	 <p>Bring the upper and lower halves of the flag together, folding it lengthwise in half.</p>
 <p>Fold the flag lengthwise again, bringing the lower half up to the top. The field of stars should be visible on the left side.</p>	<p>A. </p> <p>B. </p> <p>C. </p> <p>A. Bring the striped corner of the folded edge up to meet the top edge of the flag, making a small triangle. B. Fold the triangle over itself, making the triangle point inward. C. Continue triangular folding.</p>	 <p>The triangular folding continues until the entire length of the flag is folded. When the flag is completely folded, only a triangular blue field of stars should be visible. Tuck the remaining rectangle into the triangle's folds.</p>

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(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFtv7MGLC9Q>)

Flag Day in Slovenia?

Do we have a so called Flag Day?

Yes, of course.

The Slovene Flag Day is held on the first Sunday after 7th April as a memory on 7th April 1848, when the Slovene student Lovro Toman put up the Slovene three-coloured flag in Wolf Street 8 in Ljubljana. It has been an answer to putting up the German flag on the Ljubljana castle, which was done by German National Guard.



Slovene flag also changed with the years.

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v9B7ls1r81o>)