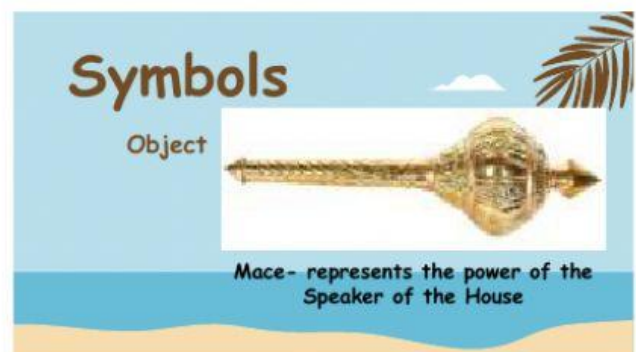
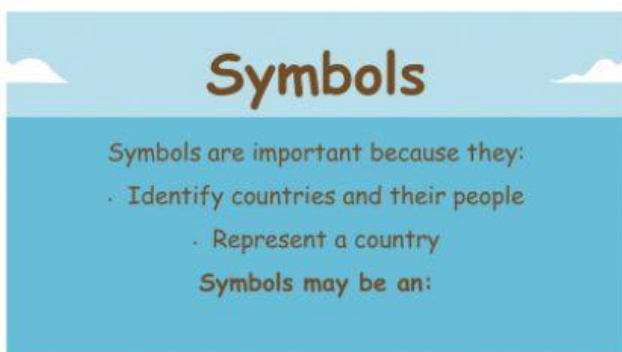


## OBJECTIVES

At the end of this PowerPoint lesson, ALL students will be able to:

1. Explain all National Symbols of The Bahamas.
2. Recite the National Anthem and Pledge.
3. State who wrote the National Anthem and Pledge.
4. State who designed the National Coat of Arms.
5. Evaluate the importance of our National Symbols and their meanings.



## Symbols

A Picture



Coat of Arms

## Symbols

A Word

Bahamas Motto:  
"FORWARD, UPWARD,  
ONWARD, TOGETHER"

## Symbols

Or a person



Sir Cornelius A. Smith  
Governor-General of The Bahamas

## Symbols

Respect for symbols shows:

- Loyalty
- Devotion
- Patriotism

To your country

## Symbols

The National Symbols of The Bahamas are important because:

- They represent our history, culture, flora and fauna.
- They help to unite Bahamians.
- They encourage Bahamians to be proud.
- They inspire Bahamians to excel.

## NATIONAL SYMBOLS OF THE BAHAMAS

### The National Tree



**The Lignum Vitae**

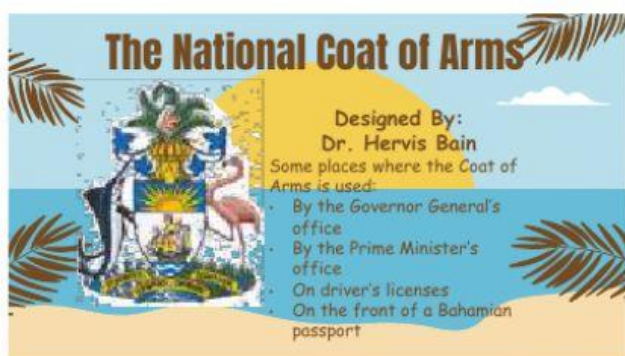
Also known as "The Tree of Life"



### The National Flower



**The Yellow Elder**





## The National Motto



Found on The National Coat of Arms. Its purpose is to inspire Bahamians to work together for a better future.

## The National Motto



The first Bahamian motto was:

"Expulsis, Piratis, Restituta Commercia"

"Pirates Expelled, Commerce Restored"

Is out-of-date because there are no more pirates in The Bahamas today.

## The National Flag



- Black- represents the strength and determination of the people to develop the rich resources of the land
- Gold- represents the blazing sun
- Aquamarine- represents the sea


To show respect, the national flag should never be flown after sunset.

## The National Flag




The flag is flown at Government House, at the United Nations, at many business places throughout The Bahamas, and at our embassies in foreign countries.

## The National Anthem




Written by:  
Timothy Gibson



March On Bahamaland

## The National Anthem



- People should stand to attention when the national anthem is played. Standing at attention shows respect and patriotism.
- It encourages Bahamians to be proud.
- It inspires Bahamians to excel, to love each other, and to work together towards a higher goal.

## The National Song

God Bless Our Sunny Clime  
Music by Timothy Gibson and Clement Bethel Words by Rev. Philip Rahming

God Bless our sunny clime, spur us to height sublime.  
To keep men free, let brothers, sisters stand  
Firm, trusting hand in hand, throughout Bahamaland  
One brotherhood, one brotherhood,  
Let gratefulness ascend, courageous deeds extend  
From isle to isle, Long let us treasure peace,  
So may our lives increase, our prayers never cease.  
Let freedom ring! Let freedom ring!  
The long, long night has passed, the morning breaks at last,  
From shore to shore, sunrise with golden gleam  
Sons of daughters, share the dream, for one working team  
One brotherhood, one brotherhood,  
Not for this time nor for this chosen few alone  
We pledge ourselves: Live loyal to our God,  
Love country, friend and foe, oh help us by thy might!  
Great God our King! Great God our King!

## The National Pledge of Allegiance



Rev. Philip Rahming



*I pledge Allegiance  
to the Flag,  
and to the Commonwealth  
of The Bahamas  
for who in its name  
One People  
United In Love and Service*

