



Design a

FAMILY FLAG

As America approaches its 250th anniversary, take a moment and think about what makes it great. What kind of legacy will this country leave to future generations? Now, take a moment to think about your family legacy. What shapes, spurs, and defines your family? What do you hope the future generations of your family will say was important to you? The legacy we leave is shaped not only in public moments, but in the everyday way we live, love, serve, and relate to one another.

This activity invites you and your family to think about and discuss what you value most and create a flag that represents the legacy you hope to live out.

Begin with a plain piece of paper. You can draw, color, or cut and paste whatever you like, just make sure it incorporates your family values. Here are some commonly used symbols on flags to get you started.

Star - Unity or sovereignty

Lion - Royalty, courage, authority, and power

Cross - Christianity or specific Christian traditions

Eagle - Power, freedom, vigilance, and sovereignty

Bird - Elegance, hospitality, and peace

Boar - Warrior Prowess, courage, and tenacity

Weapons or Tools - Defense, strength, or labor

Sun - Unity, power, and energy

Plants - Peace, beauty, prosperity, or cultural heritage