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Flags are full of symbolism. Sometimes countries will use their official seal as part of the flag. Sometimes they use colors that have historical significance. Whatever kind of flag you choose to make, the colors and pictures you include should have some kind of meaning.

Pattern is also important in flag design. Stars, circles, stripes, checks, zig-zags – including patterns in your flag will make them more interesting and more fun to decorate.

Use stencils, stickers, stamps and sponges to make your flag easier and faster to create. Paint, markers, crayons, pencils and collage materials will all make great flags.

Project Ideas:

- Research countries around the world and replicate their flags. Remember that some flags are more complicated than others; you may want to pick your country by looking at the flags first. When all the flags are complete you can play matching and identification games with them.
- 2. Research the development of flags. For example, the American flag hasn't always had 13 stripes and 50 stars. It has gone through numerous changes before becoming the "Old Glory" that we see today. Other flags around the world have gone through similar changes. It can be interesting to see the different designs used at different points throughout history and discuss the significance of those designs.
- 3. Create an official classroom flag, or one for your school. Choose colors and symbols that are important to your group before beginning. You can turn this exercise into a contest: let students design their own flags independently and then vote on a classroom favorite.

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