

# Safety Town Activity: The Pledge of Allegiance

#### Overview

This lesson will help teach children to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

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# **Objectives**

- Children will be able to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Children will be able to understand the significance of reciting the pledge.

## **Materials**

- American Flag Coloring Sheet
- Crayons
- An American Flag or picture of an American Flag

## **Activities**

- Watch and follow the puppet recite <u>The Pledge of Alle-</u> giance.
- Color the <u>American Flag Coloring</u> Sheet.
- Explain "pledge allegiance" means to make a promise.

### **Activities**

- Watch a group of children recite <u>The Pledge of Alle-</u> giance.
- Recite The Pledge of Allegiance together with hand over heart facing the American flag, or picture of flag.

# Enrichment (if you want more)

- Discuss the <u>Pledge of Allegiance Meaning</u>.
- Read <u>Who created the</u> <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>.

#### TIME TO PLAY AND PRACTICE!

Use a real American Flag or find a color picture of the American Flag. Recite this poem while your child points to the matching items on the flag. *Red stripes. White stripes. Stars on a sky of blue. The flag stands for freedom for me and for you!* Have your child draw and color their own personal flag.

While driving through neighborhoods or downtown areas, look for American Flags and point them out. When you see an American Flag flying at half mast explain that it means a national day of mourning because someone important has died like a president, or we are remembering important people who have died like soldiers and first responders.

Remember to always stand and face the American Flag and put your right hand over your heart when you recite the Pledge of Allegiance.