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AMERICAN FLAG HISTORY

The American flag is one of the most important symbols of the United States. People often call it the "Stars and Stripes."
The first American flag was created in 1777 during the Revolutionary War. At that time, the flag had 13 stars and 13 stripes.
The stripes stood for the original 13 colonies that became the first states of the country.

As new states joined the United States, more stars were added to the flag. Today, the flag has 50 stars because there are 50 states.
The 13 stripes are still kept to remember the original colonies.

The colors of the flag also have special meanings. Red stands for bravery, white stands for purity, and blue stands for justice and freedom. Many Americans display the flag on important holidays such as the Fourth of July and Memorial Day.

The American flag is raised at schools, government buildings, and homes across the country. People show respect for the flag by standing during the national anthem and treating the flag carefully.

Questions:

What is another name for the American flag?

In what year was the first American flag created?

How many stars were on the first flag?

What do the 13 stripes represent?

Why does the flag now have 50 stars?

What does the color red stand for?

Name one holiday when Americans display the flag.

