

# Patriot Day

Patriot Day is observed on September 11<sup>th</sup>.  
On this day in 2001, often called 9/11, the  
United States of America was attacked.



When you observe a day,  
you spend that day thinking about what  
happened, and you should do special  
activities for that day.

How can I observe  
Patriot Day?



Go to memorials that honor the victims.



Put up an American flag at your house.



Take part in a moment of silence— 8:46am



Give back to your community by volunteering.

Let local heroes know how much you appreciate all they do.

# Always Heroes

Patriot Day is also a day to thank men and women in the military. Men and women in the military keep our country safe.

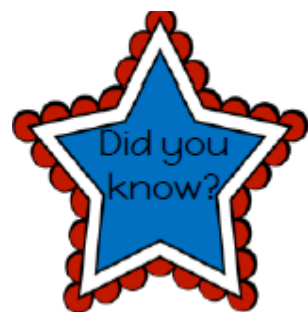
Do you know someone in the military?



What can I do to let someone in the military know I am thankful for their service?



- ★ Make care packages for military members who are deployed.
- ★ Plant flags at your school or at your home.
- ★ Volunteer with a program that helps veterans.
- ★ Write letters to family of military members thanking them for their sacrifice.



When military members are deployed, they leave home so they can help protect America. They leave their family and friends for months at a time - even during the holidays.

# Heroes of 9/11

There were many people who helped on September 11, 2001. These people risked their own lives to try and make sure others were safe. These people are the heroes of 9/11. We honor them every Patriot Day.



## Firefighters

Firefighters ran into burning buildings to help people who were trapped. They helped get many people out safely. Sadly, many firefighters lost their lives on 9/11.

## Police



Police officers in the area helped get people to safety after the attack. They are always working to keep our communities safe from anyone who wants to hurt others.



## Medics

Many people in New York and Washington D.C. were injured on 9/11. These people needed help from doctors, nurses, and paramedics. Many people survived because of this help.

## Good Citizens



People who were close to the attacks ran to help those who were hurt. It was not their job to help others, but they did it anyway because they were good people and good citizens.