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The Original 13 Colonies



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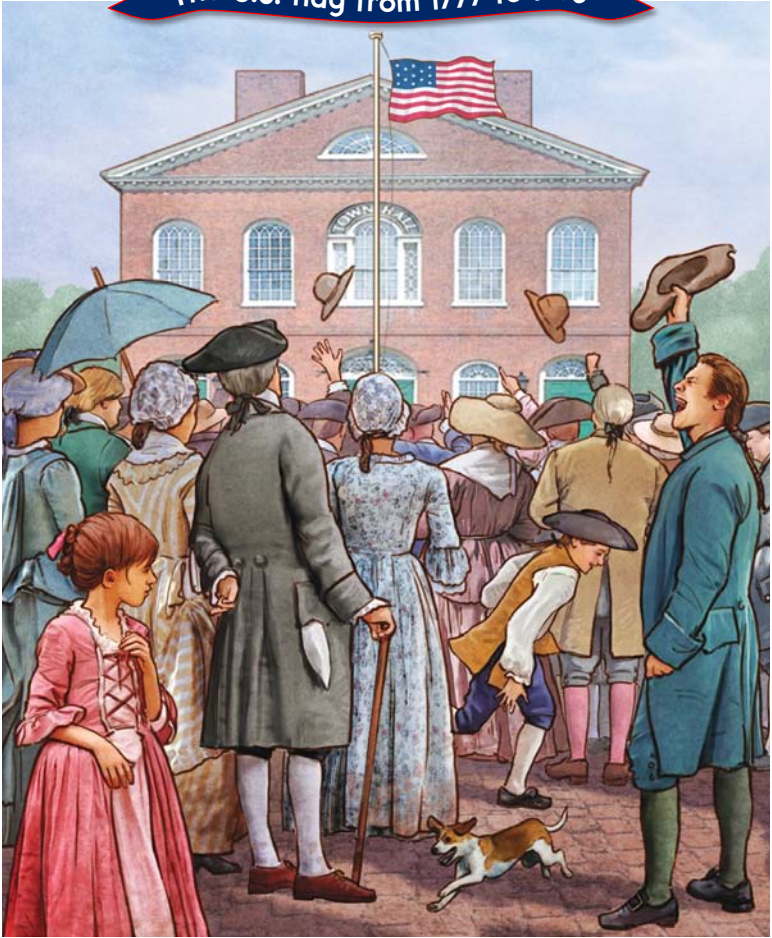
Our flag has a story.
The thirteen colonies
that formed our country
all had different flags.



We needed one flag for all
of the United States.
We made a flag that had
thirteen bright stars and
thirteen bold stripes.



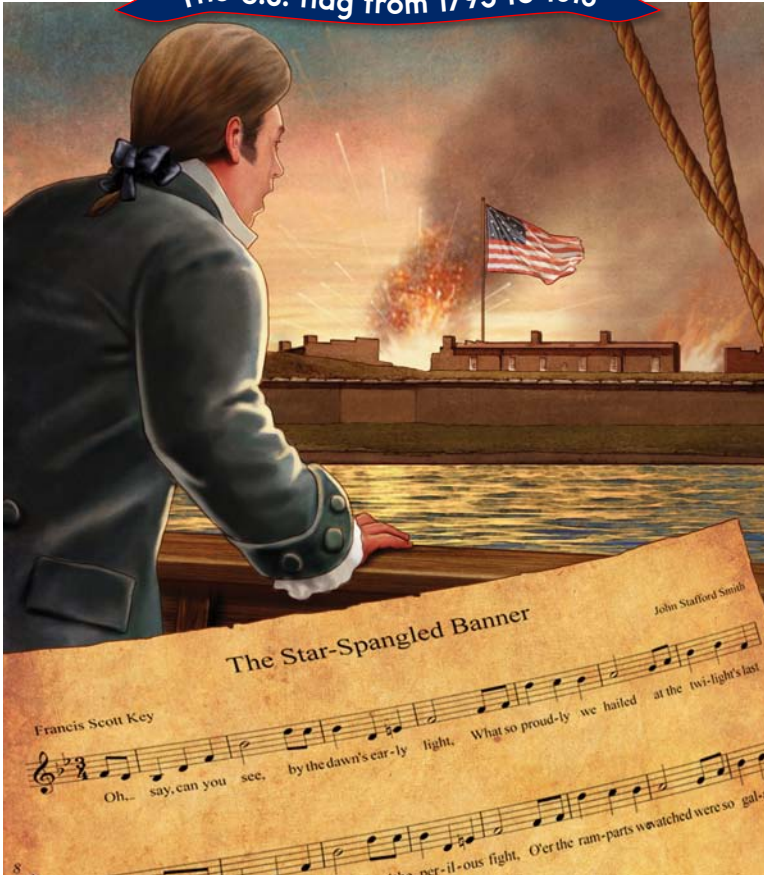
The U.S. flag from 1777 to 1795



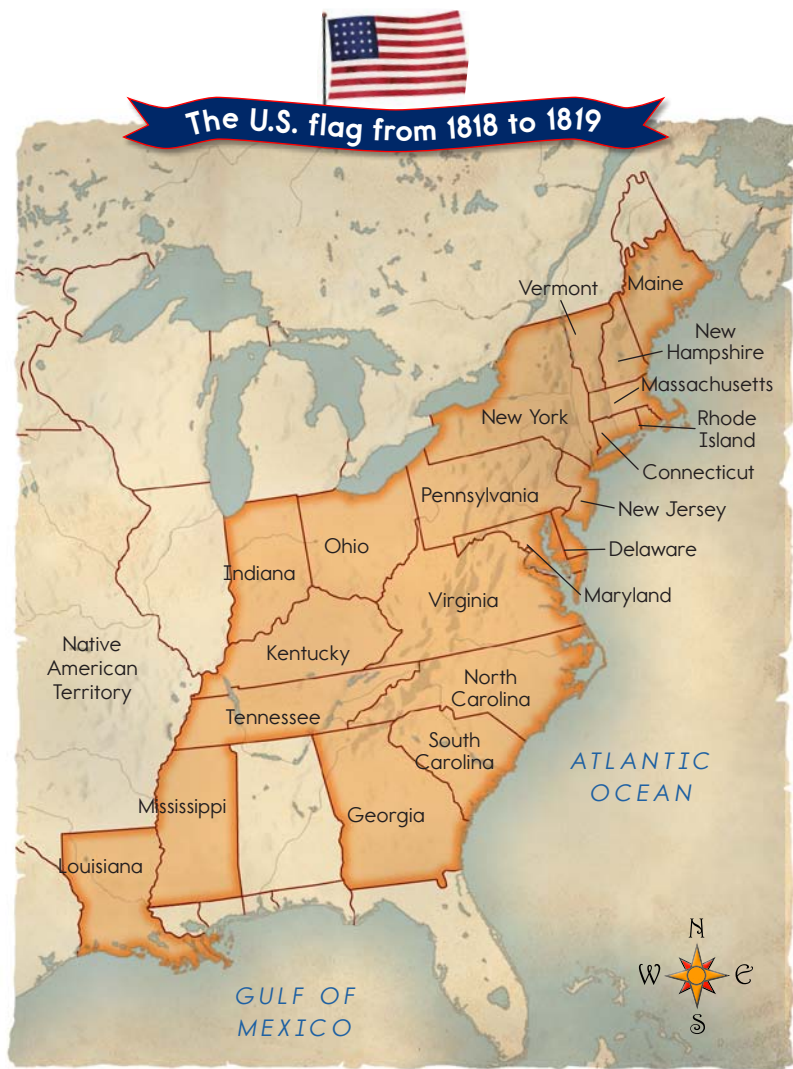
We made our new flag
in red, white, and blue.
We called our flag
the Stars and Stripes.



The U.S. flag from 1795 to 1818



Our country grew so
we added two new stars
and two new stripes.
A famous song was written
about this flag.



Our country grew more
and more.

We needed to change our
flag again.



We went back to having thirteen stripes on the flag. The stripes show our country began with thirteen states.



We added a star for each new state that joined our country. The star pattern changed as their numbers grew.

Flag patterns with 51 stars

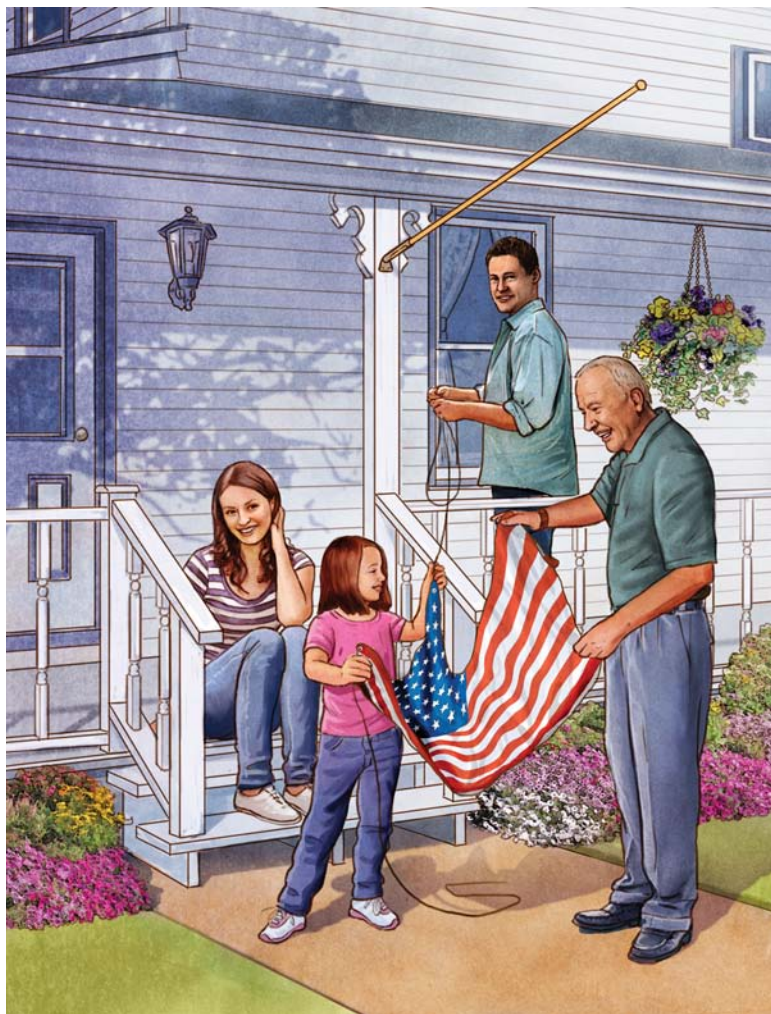


Now our flag has fifty stars
for our fifty states.

Will there be another star
added someday?



June 14th is Flag Day.
We fly our stars and stripes
on Flag Day.



We remember the story
of our flag.
It is a story that hasn't
ended yet!

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