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Veterans Day

The people of the United States celebrate Veterans Day every year on November 11th. This holiday, started as Armistice Day in 1919, **honors** our country's veterans. A veteran is a man or woman that has served in the military. Some have served during times of peace,

To **honor** a person means to show respect for that person.

while others have served in times of war. They have all served to protect our country from harm and to preserve our freedom. Many have given their lives for this cause.

The military is made up of five branches: The Army, Air Force, Marines, Navy, and Coast Guard. They work together to guard our country and freedom.

Veterans Day is celebrated in different ways. A lot of people like to go to parades. Others hold ceremonies and other events to show their appreciation to our veterans. Many school children write letters or draw pictures to send to veterans to thank them for their service. Some children even take a trip to a veterans' hospital to deliver their letters. Many businesses and schools close for this special holiday. How will you celebrate Veterans Day this year?

1. What date is Veterans Day? _____

2. What is a veteran? _____

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3. Why should we celebrate Veterans Day? _____

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