

Special Ed

HAPPY
FOURTH OF JULY

INDEPENDENCE

Day

ALSO INCLUDES GOOGLE SLIDES





This unit was created with this guy in mind. He has autism and an intellectual disability. He is a non-reader, and loves the ocean. With some support he is able to do this unit, and enjoys the challenge. He is my tester!!

Independence Day Unit

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Special Needs for Special Kids

JULY 2024

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|--------|---------|-----------|---|--------|----------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | |

Updated annually

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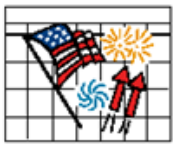

















Also included in this resource as separate files:

- Links and directions to digital activities
- PowerPoint (**this is the book in the lesson plan**)
- Voice recorded PowerPoint
- Activities in black and white

Every June, I will be updating this unit each year. You can go to My Purchases in TPT to re-download the new version or email me at specialneedsforspecialkids@gmail.com and I will send it to you!!

This unit contains activities in print and digital formats. It is updated annually.

It comes in two separate files, one in color and one in black and white.

| | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|---|
|  Independence Day |  July |  Revolutionary War |  Declaration of Independence | 1776 |
|  Great Britain |  freedom |  colonists |  Jefferson |  holiday |
|  cook out |  picnic |  fireworks |  family |  celebration |
|  repeat that |  I like that |  I don't like that |  I don't know |  I need a break |

This unit comes with a vocabulary board.

Vocabulary boards are great for ALL students to assist with participation and engagement in group discussions.

Tips on how to use in the unit!!



But do you know what we are celebrating on the 4th of July? Do you know why it is also called Independence Day?

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Representatives from all 13 colonies signed it, and the Continental Congress approved the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776.

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There is a 17-page book with simple text and engaging photos.

It comes in pdf version as well as a voice recorded PowerPoint (so you don't have to print it out.) There is also a movie version you can use in google slides.



Errorless version

Cut apart pictures and place in circle map about Independence Day.

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| United States | July 4th | Revolutionary War | Declaration of Independence | 1776 |
| freedom from Great Britain | holiday | fireworks | cook out | celebration |

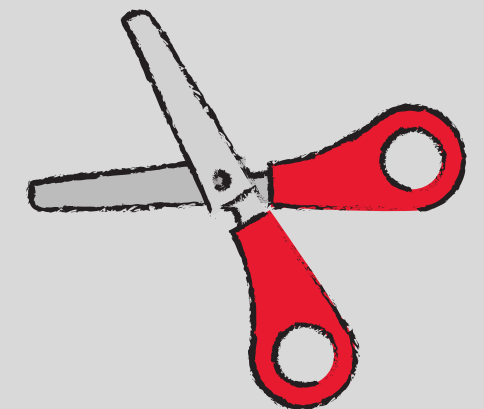
Cut apart pictures and place in circle map **ONLY IF** they relate to Independence Day.

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| United States | July 4th | Revolutionary War | holly | 1776 |
| freedom from Great Britain | ornament | fireworks | cook out | celebration |
| jack-o'-lantern | holiday | November | Declaration of Independence | Easter egg |

There is a circle map of common things associated with Independence Day.

Circle maps are a great way for students to see the concept at a glance. There are 2 versions:

- One is errorless
- One has wrong answers mixed in students will have to set aside



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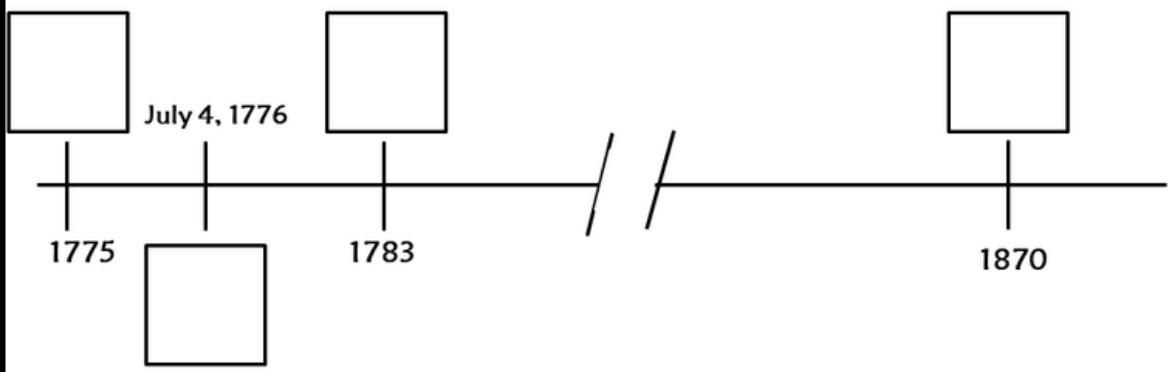
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*Students will identify
Independence Day on a
calendar.*

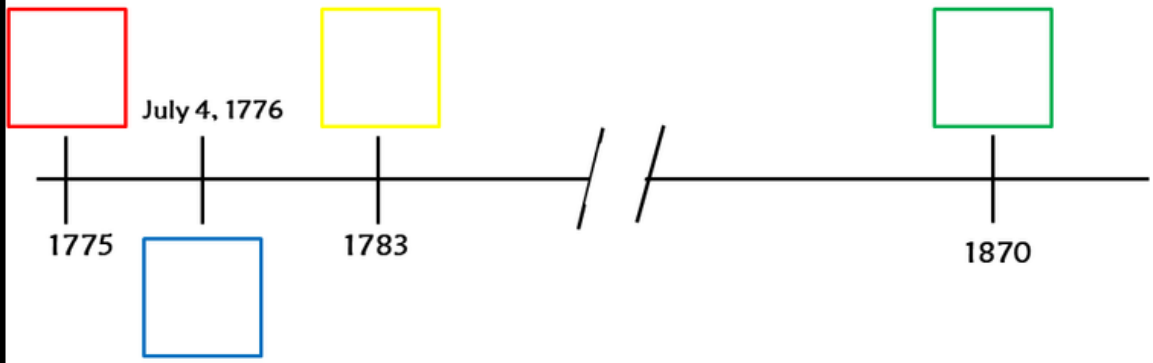
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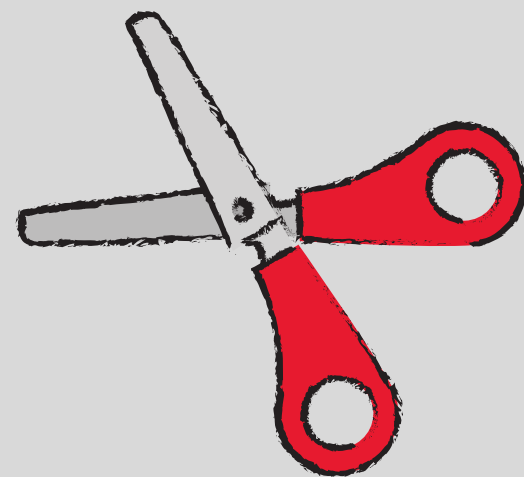
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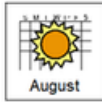
Independence Day Timeline



There is a timeline that reviews the main events covered in the book. There is a color-coded version included for students who need more support.



1. Independence Day in the United States is celebrated in:



August



July



December

2. Independence Day celebrates the signing of:



a contract



Bible



Declaration of Independence

3. What war were the colonists fighting when the Declaration of Independence was signed:



Revolutionary War



Civil War



Cold War

4. Independence Day celebrates the wish for colonists to be free from who?



Native Americans

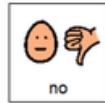


Germany

5. Is Independence Day a national holiday?



yes



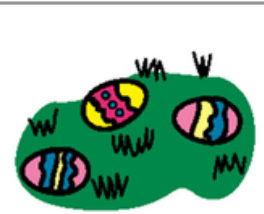
no



I don't know

Print onto cardstock or mount on index cards. Cut pictures apart and show student answer choices for each question.

Q 7



Easter egg hunt



cook out



fireworks



picnic



New Year's Eve



Kwanza

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- A. August
- B. July
- C. December

2. Independence Day celebrates the signing of:

- A. a contract
- B. Bible
- C. Declaration of Independence

3. What war were the colonists fighting when the Declaration of Independence was signed:

- A. Revolutionary War
- B. Civil War
- C. Cold War

4. Independence Day celebrates the wish for colonists to be free from whom?

- A. Native Americans
- B. Germany
- C. Great Britain

5. Is Independence Day a national holiday in the US?

- A. yes
- B. no
- C. I don't know


6. What day in July is Independence Day celebrated?

- A. 30th
- B. 1st
- C. 4th

FINALLY the assessment!! There are 3 versions.

- 10 questions with 3 picture choices for each question
- cut out the answer choices and glue them on index cards
- traditional multiple choice

Answer key included.



Listen to the
book about
Independence
Day



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July 4th

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*There is a video of the book
read aloud.*

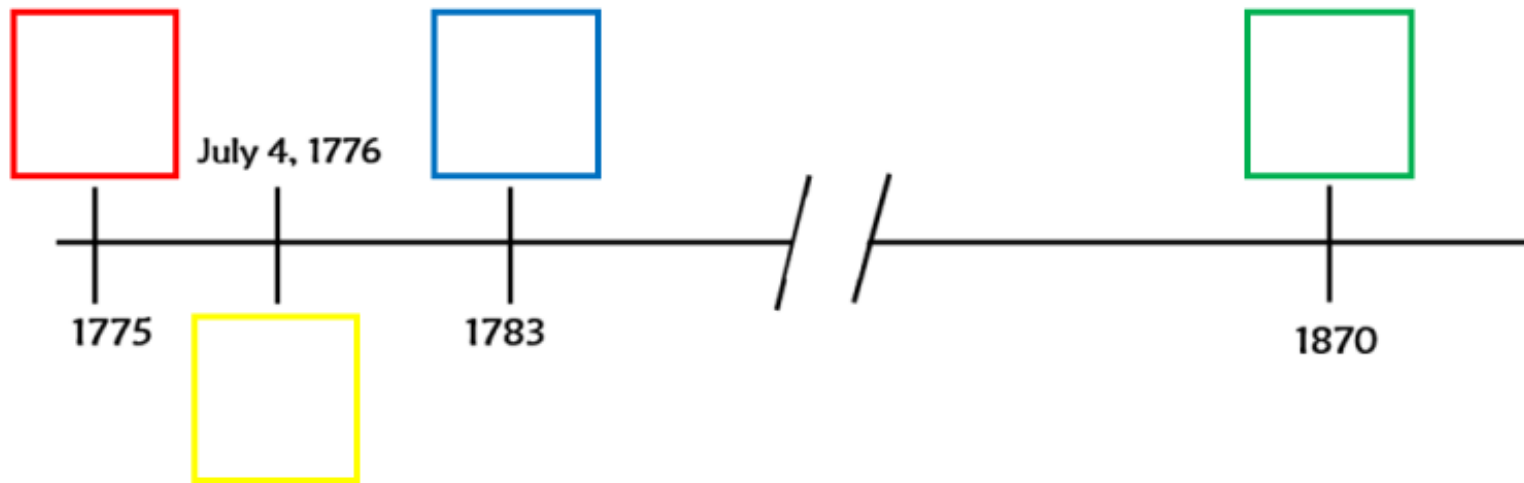


Place the following pictures in the circle map to show things about Independence Day.

| | | | |
|--|---|--|--|
|  United States |  July 4th |  Revolutionary War |  Declaration of Independence |
| 1776 |  freedom from Great Britain |  holiday |  fireworks |
|  cook out |  celebration | | |

There are digital versions of the activities included. Students click and drag the answers.

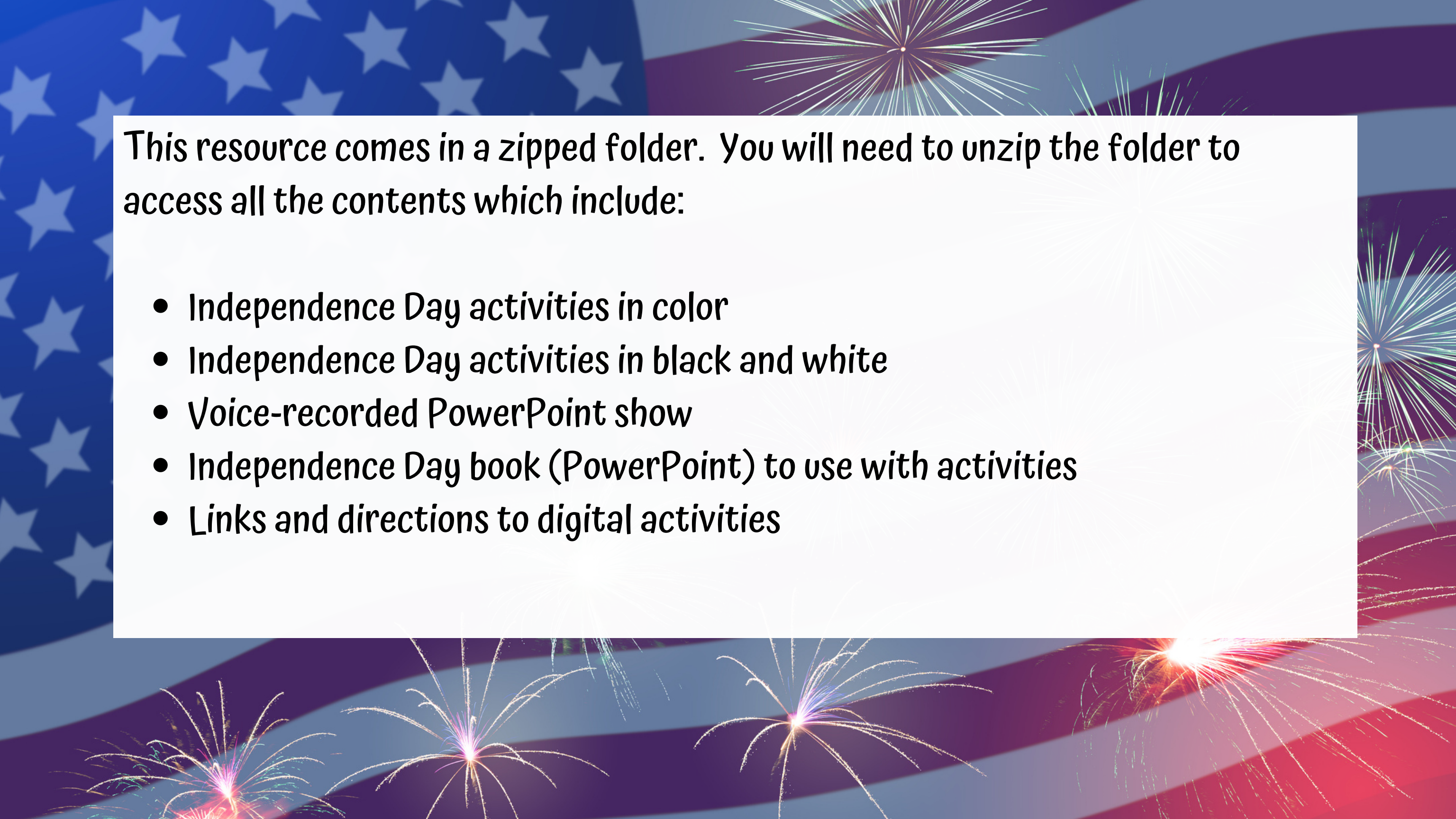
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There are 2 sets, one that includes differentiation shown here.

Place the pictures on the correct location on the timeline.





This resource comes in a zipped folder. You will need to unzip the folder to access all the contents which include:

- ***Independence Day activities in color***
- ***Independence Day activities in black and white***
- ***Voice-recorded PowerPoint show***
- ***Independence Day book (PowerPoint) to use with activities***
- ***Links and directions to digital activities***