



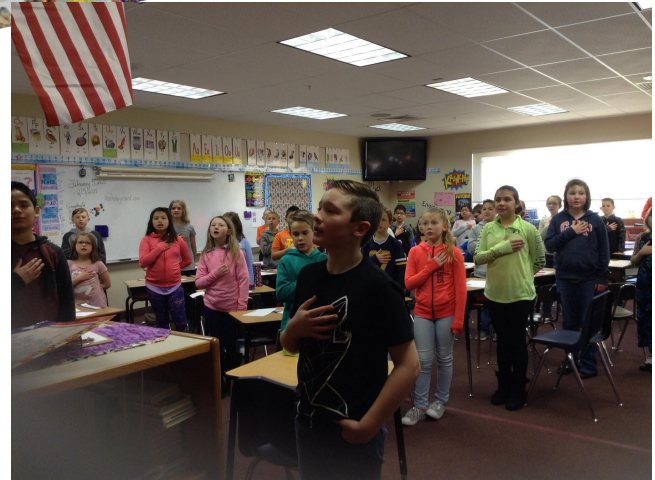
The Star Spangled Banner

“What Does it Mean?”

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Each day starts with the students at Acequia Elementary School singing the the national anthem, “The Star Spangled Banner,” followed by reciting the “Pledge of Allegiance”.


WHY?



DAY 1: How much do they already know?

Write the words to “The Star Spangled Banner” by memory.

Mrs. G read the picture book of “The Star Spangled Banner”

PUT YOUR NAME ON THE BACK OF THE PAPER! 

National Anthem Pre-Test

What is the name of our national anthem? The Star Spangled Banner

Write all the words you know to the national anthem:

Oh say can you see by
the dawn's early light what's so
proudly we watched the bombs
bursting in air, gave proof through
the night that our flag was
still there for the home of the
brave and the land of the free



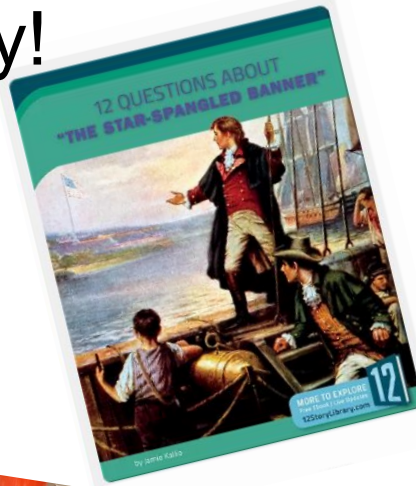
Day 2 Who was Francis Scott Key? History! History! History!

Mrs. G. Read “A is for America”

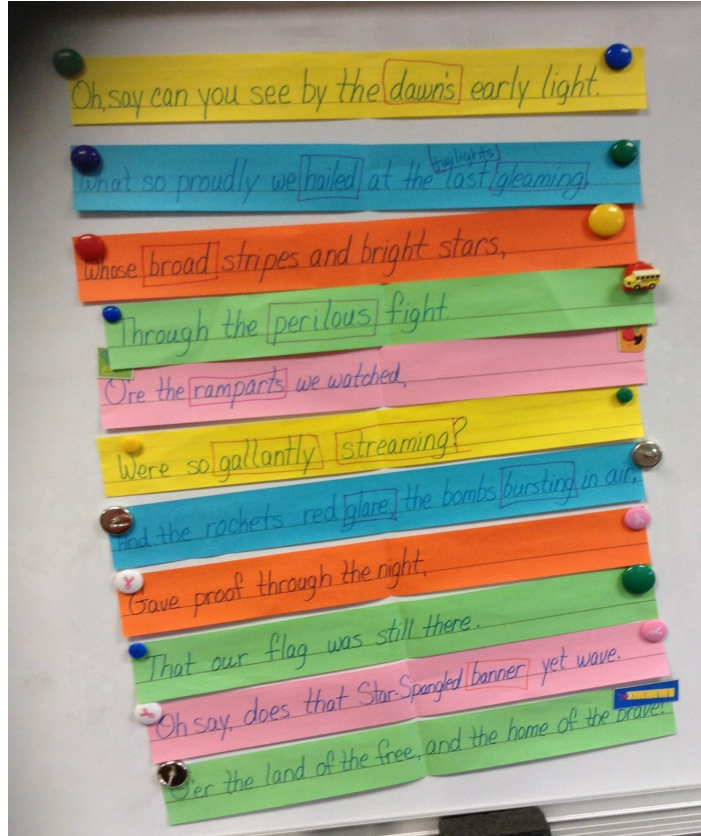
Students read “ 12 Questions about The Star Spangled Banner” of Epic.

Wrote Jot-Dot details of the story.

Created an audio / visual summary on the App “Shadow Puppet”.



Day 3 What do all these words mean?



Unscramble each stanza and place them in order.

Unknown words:

- Dawn
- Twilight
- Gleaming
- Broad
- Perilous
- Ramparts
- Gallantly
- banner



Day 4 Who's got talent?

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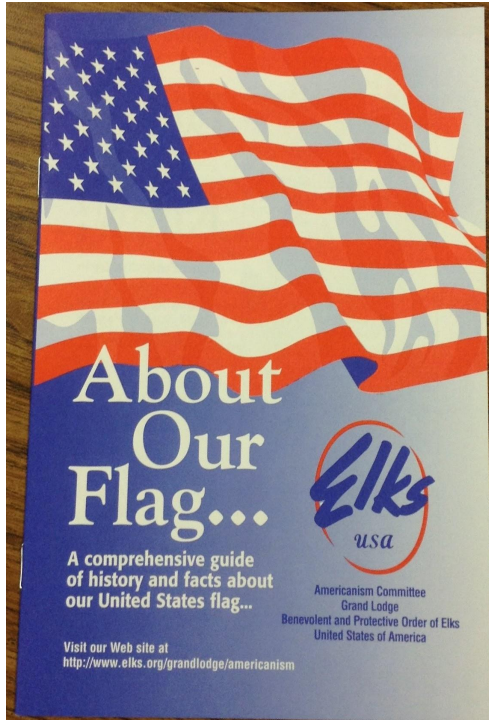
Which performer did you like and Why?

Which performer didn't you like and Why?

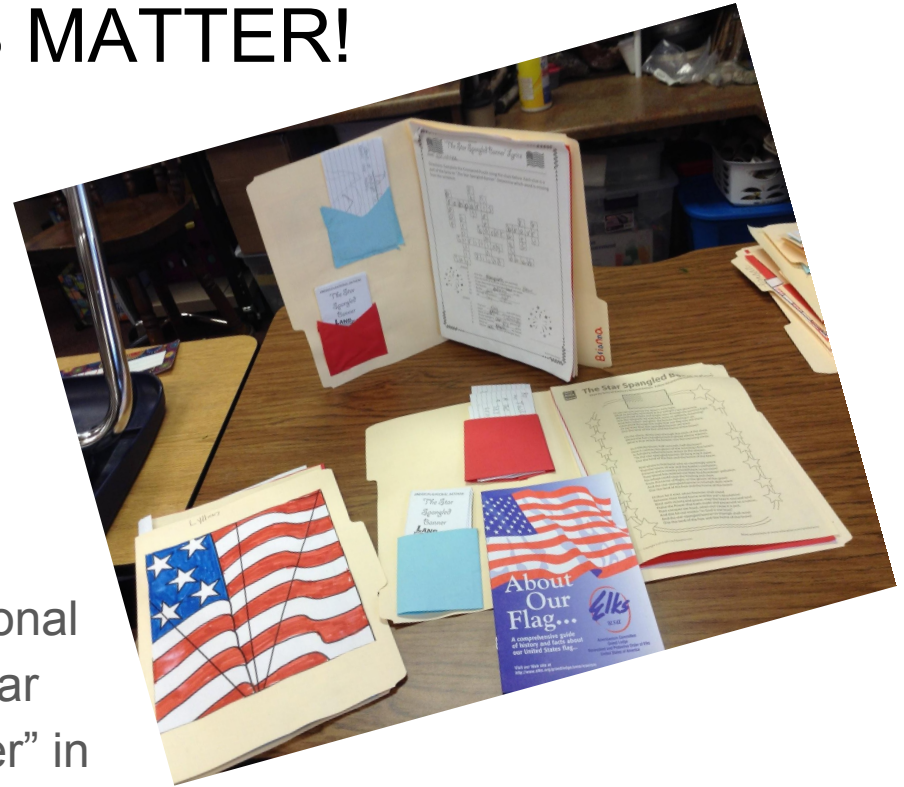
Graph results and compare with the other 4th grade class.



Day 5 MY OWN WORDS MATTER!



Rewrite our national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner" in our own words.



NAME: _____

Directions: Put each sentence of "The Star Spangled Banner" in your own words:

1. "Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light."

Can you see by the morning light

2. "What so proudly we hailed, at the twilight's last gleaming."

how happy we cheer at the last moment of the sun

3. "Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight."

how tough stripes and bright stars thru the deadly fight

4. "O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?"

thru the fougetime we watched and the noble men we gamed

5. "And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,"

and the risky stuff bombs and smoke banging in air.

6. "Gave proof through the night, that our flag was still there."

Show them the night that we were still there

7. "Oh say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave."

oh does our country stand for right

8. "O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave?"

how rich we are free and lucky to live and chase our dreams

Directions: Put each sentence of "The Star Spangled Banner" in your own words:

1. "Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light."

"Oh, look, can you see The mornings light" light

2. "What so proudly we hailed, at the twilight's last gleaming."

"What so proudly we saluted, at the day's last light"

3. "Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight."

"Whose white stripes and shining stars, thru the bloody fight"

4. "O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?"

"O'er the walls we watched, were so grandly streaming."

5. "And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,"

"And the rockets' red shine, the bombs exploding in air."

6. "Gave proof through the night, that our flag was still there."

"Gave proof through the dark, that our banner was still there."

7. "Oh say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave."

"Oh look, does that star-spangled banner still wave!"

8. "O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave?"

"O'er the land of the free, and the home of the good."

The symbolism of folding the flag.



Ann M. Wolf “Flag Folding Ceremony and Symbolism”





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