Veterans Day
Lesson Plan
Kindergarten

My Superheroes Wear Combat Boots
# Wreaths Across America Lesson Plan

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## OBJECTIVES:
- **CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.2** - Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood.
- **CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.4** - Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.
- **CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.5** - Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.

## STRATEGIES:
- Drawing/Coloring
- Writing
- Think/Pair/Share
- Modeling
- Collaboration
- Discussion Questions
- Small Groups
- Large Group

## MATERIALS:
- Computer/laptop; internet (with access to YouTube); Smart Board; Copies of Vocabulary Practice Sheet, Word Search; Thank You Letter to Veterans

## Engage: Hook the students
1. Think/Pair/Share Activity- Pair the students with a partner. Explain the T/P/S directions. The students will think of their answer, get with their partner and share their answer.  
   **T/P/S Question:** Who are your “superheroes”?
2. What is the difference in a superhero and a real-life hero? Who are your everyday “real-life” heroes? Why are they your heroes?

## Explore: Students make sense of a concept through observations.
4. What qualities make someone a hero? for example: bravery, sacrifice
5. What is freedom?

## Explain: Teacher introduces formal vocabulary and language to students.
- **hero**
- **service**
- **veteran**
- **freedom**
- **sacrifice**
- **honor**
- **Veterans Day**

## Elaborate: Students apply what they have learned.
- Play the Storytime Channel for Kids-Storytime with Tristan, “Veterans: Heroes in Our Neighborhood” by Valerie Pfundstein and Illustrated by Aaron Anderson video. [https://youtu.be/9xrMAYFDN0](https://youtu.be/9xrMAYFDN0)
- What day do we celebrate Veterans Day? Why do we honor our Veterans? Model-How to write or say Thank You to a Veteran.

## Evaluate: assessment.
- Vocabulary Practice Sheet; Word Search Puzzle; Using the template, write a Thank You note to a Veteran; mail them to a VA Hospital or VA Home

## Enrichment/Service-Learning
- Write a Thank You note to a Veteran, mail them to a VA Hospital or VA Home, Color one of the Veterans Day Coloring sheets to enclose!
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Vocabulary Practice

hero hero hero

Veteran Veteran

Veteran

service service service

freedom freedom freedom

freedom

sacrifice sacrifice sacrifice

sacrifice

honor honor honor

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WORD SEARCH PUZZLE-VETERANS DAY

H Q R M A L N Q W
O F R E E D O M Y
N H I O S P A D H
O P K L E B V C E
R N D O R L T Z R
W D O P V G D A O
S A C R I F I C E
P Y E H C M C D T
M V E T E R A N U

FREEDOM
HERO
SERVICE
SACRIFICE
VETERAN
HONOR

Remember-Honor-Teach
Veterans Thank You Letter

Dear Veteran,

Thank you for your service to our country and for protecting our freedoms.

You are a hero!

Yours truly,

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