

Seasonal/Holiday

JUNETEENTH GALVESTON, TEXAS



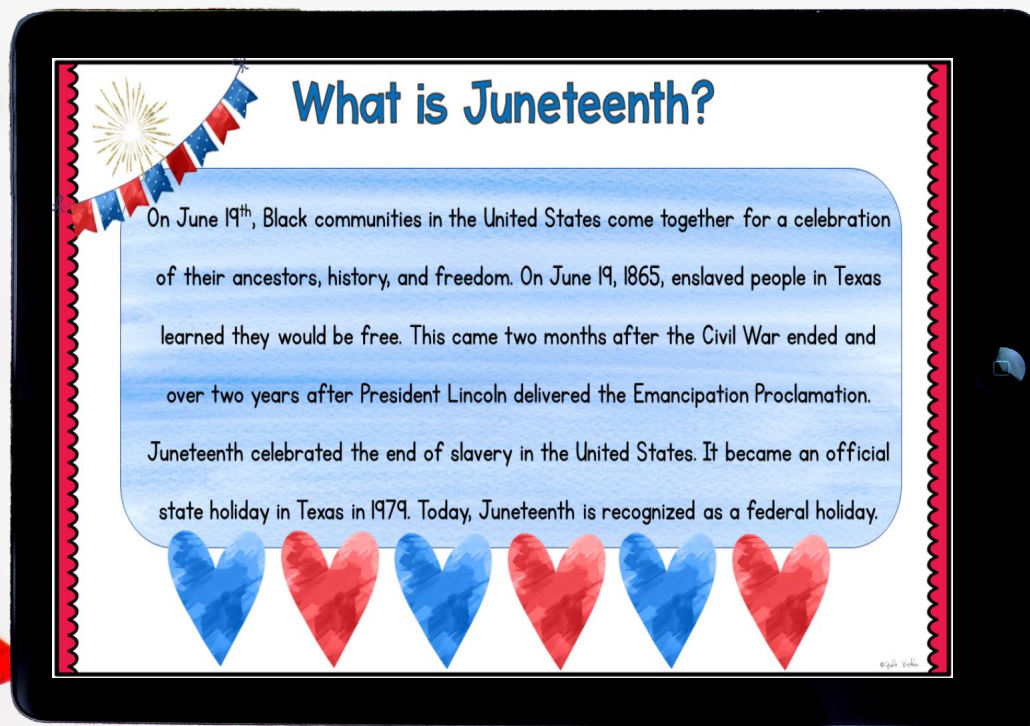
VIRTUAL field trip



BUILD BACKGROUND



Learn about the reason
behind Juneteenth.



VISIT GALVESTON, TEXAS



Learn about the
historic location and
Juneteenth as a
federal holiday.



Celebrations Through The Years

Enslaved people celebrated their new freedom after hearing the announcement in 1885. The next year, the first "Jubilee Day" was celebrated. In the early years, celebrations were political rallies to give newly freed slaves voting information. Some cities did not allow Black people to use public parks. As a result, some Black people pooled their money to purchase land to have their celebrations.



By the 1890s Jubilee Day became known as Juneteenth. Segregation and discrimination got worse in the years up to and after the new century. This led to less Juneteenth celebrations.

From 1936 to 1951, the Texas State Fair became a place to celebrate the holiday. Celebrations and parties became more widespread in the early 1950s. From 1940 to 1970, more than five million Black people left Texas and other parts of the South. This spread Juneteenth celebrations further.



In the late 1970s Juneteenth was declared a holiday in Texas. In 2021, Congress passed The Juneteenth National Independence Day Act and declared Juneteenth a federal holiday.



Juneteenth Picnic

Let's take a trip
to Galveston,
Texas to learn
about Juneteenth.

After we visit
each destination,
grab your
souvenir to bring
to the picnic! Use
copy (Ctrl+C) and
paste (Ctrl+V) to
bring each item to
the picnic.



CREATE A SCRAPBOOK



Show your progress on your
journey by collecting
photographs at each location.



CRITICAL THINKING



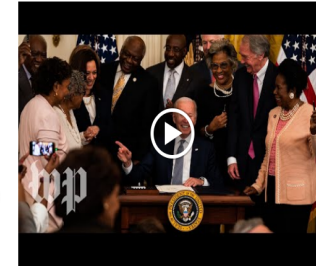
Learn about history
through multiple
perspectives.



Juneteenth a Federal Holiday

On Thursday, June 17, 2021, President Joe Biden signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act into law. Juneteenth is now recognized as a federal holiday. A federal holiday is a date that is recognized by the United States Government.

Some people have been working to make this day recognized for decades. One of them is known as the "Grandmother of Juneteenth", Opal Lee. Opal Lee's grandmother was enslaved in Louisiana. Opal said, "I'll be thinking of my ancestors. I'll be thinking about my great-great-grandchildren and my grandchildren and my children."



Watch the video of
President Biden signing this
bill into law.

ENGAGE IN CROSS CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

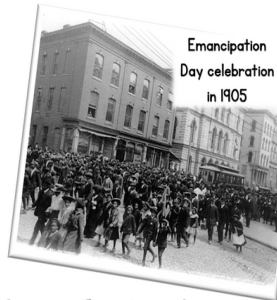


Reading, social studies,
writing, and critical
thinking

How to Celebrate Juneteenth

These are some ways you can celebrate Juneteenth.

1. Read books about Juneteenth.
2. Listen to a speaker from the African American culture that works to preserve African American history.
3. Attend an anti racist demonstration.
4. Learn about historical events in your area related to Black people's rights.



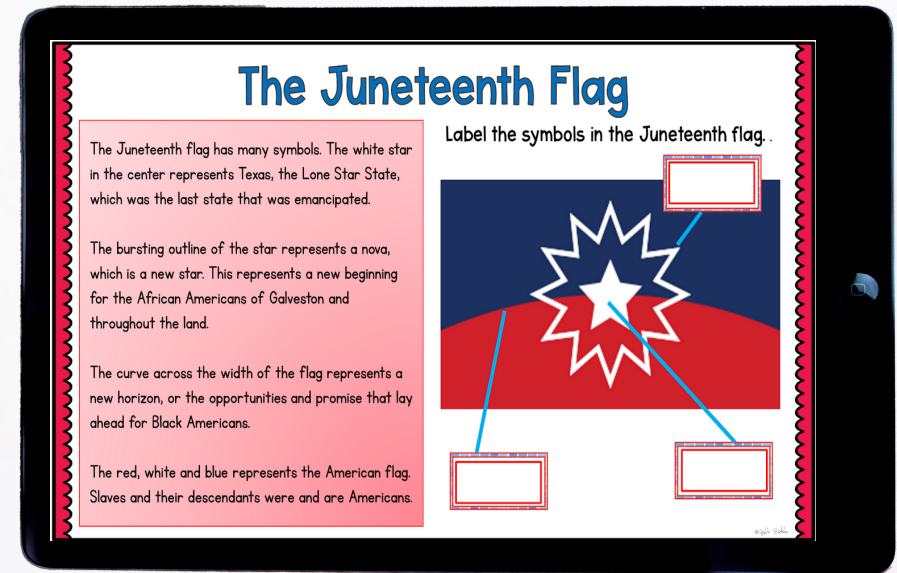
Brainstorm some other ways you could celebrate and honor Juneteenth.

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LEARN ABOUT JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION



- The Juneteenth Flag
- How to Celebrate Juneteenth



Suggested Uses

- Assign in Google Classroom or SeeSaw
- Whole Class Activity
- Small groups or center
- Early Finisher
- Incentive or Fun Friday

Google Slides and SeeSaw



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