



# Celebrate Independence Day with Kids Academy!

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To celebrate this historic moment and to reflect upon the freedoms we enjoy as Americans, citizens recognize the 4th of July as a national and federal holiday. Usually we spend this time with family and friends outdoors, congregating at cookouts, engaging in festive [activities](#) and watching dazzling firework displays in cities across the nation.

Our youngest children need an easy-to-understand primer on Independence Day, how it came to be, and the important documents our nation's government is based upon. Now is the perfect opportunity to help them understand this connection and reinforce previously learned information.

This 4th of July, before hitting the pool and lighting the grill, share the following activities with your little learners to help them gain better knowledge of this special summer holiday.



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This [video](#) starts with the basic question: "Why do we celebrate the 4th of July?" It explains what independence means and why the colonists wanted to break away from

British rule. It goes on to explain the important founding documents and how our nation was born.

How is the Declaration of Independence different from the Constitution or the Bill of Rights? What freedoms do we enjoy today because of these documents? The [video](#) below will quiz your child's knowledge of important terms related to America's founding documents. Encourage kids to answer the questions before watching an in-depth explanation of the answers to expand their understanding.



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Coloring Pages and Worksheets to Make Independence Day Come to Life!

Coloring is a great way for young learners to express their creativity while exploring concepts they've learned about, which can include a deeper dive into our country's symbolism. Browse through our [collection of 4th of July coloring pages for kids](#), and be sure to discuss choice of colors, their meanings, and any symbols to give your child a fuller understanding of this important holiday.



To increase your learners' knowledge beyond the basics, use our collection of [Independence Day worksheets](#) to discover more details about specific topics like the American flag and our Founding fathers, or to practice skills from other subject areas:



Older kids can increase their understanding when they explore more about The Bill of Rights, our Constitution, and even the Pledge of Allegiance that they recite daily at school.



School might be out for the summer, but now is the best time to educate our youngest citizens about Independence Day! Before heading outdoors this July 4th, use the above resources to prep your learner for this exciting, historical day!

