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Back to School - Fly your Flag!! 45 min

Objective:

Explore symbolism of flags by designing individual flags for kids going back to school

Big Idea:

Flags are a symbolic way to communicate a message

1. Warm Up / Anticipatory 15 min

Help kids allay their fears of going back to school by designing their own "Jolly Roger" flag!

Review:

<https://www.wonderopolis.org/wonder/do-all-pirate-...>

2. Investigation and New Learning 15 min

For elementary students, the discussion can be about overcoming fear:



Recommended reading- The Pirate of Kindergarten and Pirate's Guide to First Grade

For older students, the discussion can be about family pride and heritage and how countries use flags:

Review:



[Flying Colors](#) by Robert G. Fresson

3. Review & Check for Understanding 30 min

Help kids with blocking of their own flag using [Flag Designer website](#)