

TOPIC: Stars and Stripes. My State is:

With 50 American states to explore and discover, we could not possibly cover them all in detail during lessons. To this end, your child will be given one State to research and explore as part of their Learning Log activities! **Included in this will be a blank State template. These templates will be merged together to create a class map of the USA.** The top three activities (shaded in grey) must be completed and then your child should choose 2 or 3 further activities to support their expedition planning. Have a good day!

Write (State) A one page summary of your given State. What are the major cities? What is the most common job? What do people do for fun? What about the weather? Find out as much as you can and fill one side of A4.	Make (State) <u>Using the State template given to you by your teacher</u> , create a picture or collage celebrating all that makes your given State special. This could include your State's: flower, animal, tree or food (if they have these).	Research and Calculate (State) How far it is from Washington DC to your State capital. Then, plan a route between your State Capitol and 5 other major cities in your State. How far is it? How long would it take by car? What routes would you take? Plot your route onto a road map of your state.
Write (State) Research what your State's song is. Annotate a copy of the song to explain what the lines of the song mean or why they have been included in the song.	Create (State) <u>Your State's Flag</u> . This should be A4 size and in full colour. You could draw your flag from scratch or create a collage from paper scraps or image printouts. Do not create this using a computer.	Research and Bake (State) Research a cake, desert or baked good that was created or is quintessential of your State. Put a copy of the recipe along with a photo of your finished creation in your learning log. You could bring in some of your baking to share too.
Research (USA) The biography of a famous American. You can use websites, but should write as much of the writing in your own words. The finished report should be 1 side of A4.	Draw (USA) Draw your own version of a famous American painting. It should be by an American artists who can be living or dead.	Computing Create your own version of a famous American building using Minecraft or a computer drawing program.
Research (USA) 20 Facts about the USA. These should be 10 historical and 10 geographical facts. You can present your research as a poster or as a longer piece of writing.	Impress me! (State) Create a State Float. This should be the size of a shoebox lid, and contain all of the famous symbols of your given State. What foods is the State famous for? What about buildings? Which trees and animals symbolise the State? You could even include the State Flag or ceil. Be as creative as you like, as long as it is no bigger in footprint than a shoebox lid.	