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## What Does Patriotism Mean to Me





What does patriotism mean to you? Patriotism means to love, respect, and protect your country. Patriotism also means to show honor to your country and laws. One way to respect your country is by being in the armed forces, being a police officer, or to be a leader.

When I was a little boy my dad would take my cousins and me fishing, and sometimes, my dad would look up and see a fighter jet. He would say, "Hey, those men and women are serving our country." That is one reason I would like to be in the army, navy, marines, or air force.

You should support your troops even if you are not in the armed forces by sending them thank you notes, sending them care packages, and praying for them when ever they are over seas.

My church group and I made a care package for some troops in the Middle East. We put in it letters, food, and supplies, and we mailed it. In return, the church got a plaque that said, "Thank you for supporting our troops."

One time I had a friend named, Jonathan Grant, who served in the National Guard. I prayed and prayed for him to come home safely to be with his wife and kids. I wrote him a letter saying how thankful I was to him for serving our country. He sent me a cool picture of him in his uniform with his gun. My family hung it on my refrigerator until he came home.

When I grow up, I will vote for president, mayor, senator, and governor. I will promise to respect our flag and say the pledge of allegiance. I will promise to honor and protect our flag and country. I wonder if I'll be in the UNITED STATES MILITARY.

I'll promise to love, study, and protect my country, flag, and Declaration of Independence by standing up for the flag, and Declaration of Independence. I'll love and protect my country, flag, and myself. I personally love outr country, flag, and my family.

You can have patriotism by voting. Many men and women have fought and gave their lives for the freedom of voting. When you vote, you show your pride in your country. We have the right and duty to choose the leaders for our country.

During the national anthem and the raising of the American flag, you should remove all hats and cover your heart. You can show patriotism by knowing how to fold the flag and singing the National Anthem.

You should follow laws of your country and respect all the laws even though you may not agree with them. You can respect your laws by following and not arguing with authority. You can help your country by helping other people in your community. If they drop something, for instance, you can help them pick it up.

Support your troops and send them care packages and love your country, flag, state, and family and obey your country's laws and that will make you patriotic

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