

Inauguration Day

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Glossary

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Constitution – The document containing the main laws that govern the United States.

Vice-president – If we think of this role in terms of school, the vice-president is like a deputy head whereas the president would be the head teacher.

The White House – Where the president lives and works. Like 10 Downing Street in the UK.

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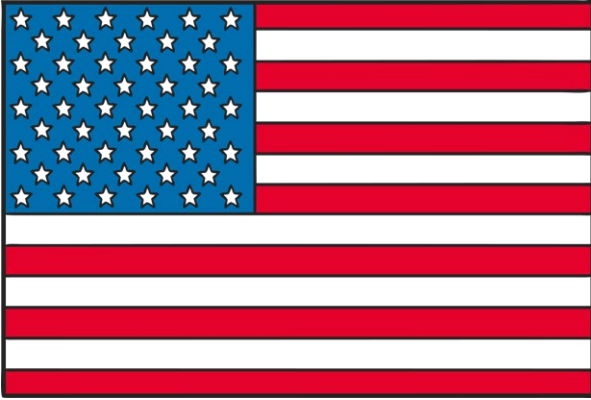
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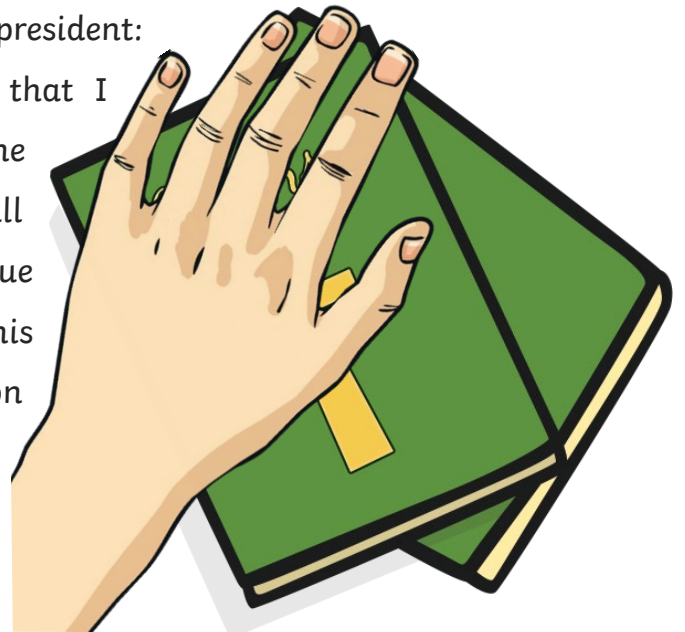
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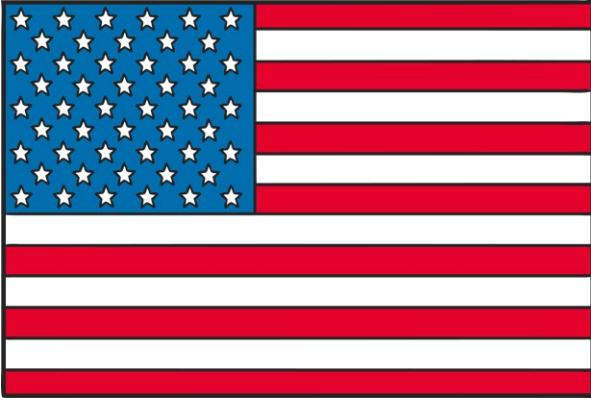
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