

Topic

Conversation for Beginners

Lesson 3

Flags of Some
Western Countries

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- A woman with blonde hair, wearing a white straw hat and a dark blue off-the-shoulder top, is seen from behind, sitting in a lush green field. She is holding a small American flag on a wooden stick. The field is filled with tall grass and small white and yellow flowers. In the background, there are trees and a bright sun creating a lens flare effect. A semi-transparent white box with a list of questions is overlaid on the left side of the image.
- What is she holding?
 - What country's flag is it?



In this lesson, we will learn **about some flags of Western countries:**

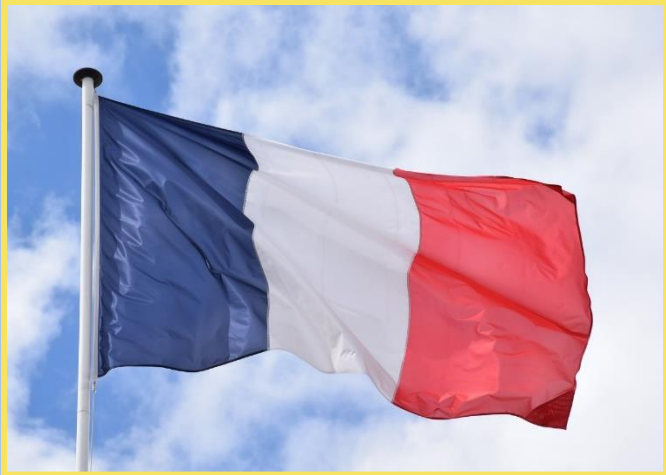
- learn the flags of some Western countries ;
- why some flags are confusing;
- practice useful expressions to talk about flags.

Key words:

the American flag
the United Kingdom flag
the French flag
the Canadian flag

Key Words

Learn the new words and match.



- the American flag
- the United Kingdom flag



- the French flag
- the Canadian flag





Vocabulary Check

Match the underlined countries with the correct flags.

1. The national flag of the United States of America ●

2. The national flag of France ●

3. The national flag of Canada ●

4. The national flag of the United Kingdom ●



Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

1. The colors and designs of **the French flag** and the Thai flag are alike.

Questions:

1. Why are the two flags alike?
2. Can you identify each country's flag correctly?



Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

2. I get confused about **the American flag** and the United Kingdom flag.

Question:

1. Think of two countries that have similar-looking flags. Can you identify them easily?



Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

3. The Canadian flag has a maple leaf design in the center.

Questions:

1. What do you think the maple leaf means?
2. What design does your country's flag have?



Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

4. The first **United Kingdom flag** was created in 1606.

Questions:

1. Do you know the history of your country's flag?
2. When was your country's flag created?



Conversation

Listen to the audio and do a role play.

Yuka and John are talking about flags with similar colors and designs.



Yuka



Yuka



Yuka

Sometimes I get confused of the flags of different countries.

Me too. The American flag and the United Kingdom flag are alike.

Yes, it's very confusing. The colors are the same and even the designs are similar.

You're right. My friend, James can easily remember almost any country's flag.

He must be smart. I wonder how he does it.



John



John



Semi-open Role Play

Make a role play with your teacher with the given scenario and hints.

Scenario

You and your friend Miller are talking about flags.
Discuss with him why some flags are confusing.

- Hints:
- I get confused of the...
 - The ... are alike.
 - The ... flags has ... while
 - You must be smart.

Review

Answer the questions and share your opinions.

Self-check



1. What does the maple leaf mean in the Canadian flag?
2. Compare the designs and colors of the American flag and the United Kingdom flag.
3. Why do people get confused of different flags?
4. Do you know someone who can easily identify the flags of different countries?