

A close-up, vertical view of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes. The flag is slightly out of focus, with the stars appearing as bright white dots against a dark blue background.


# ***PATRIOT DAY***

## ***9/11***

Our History. Our Hope.  
Our Promise to Never Forget.





A vertical American flag is positioned on the left side of the image, showing the stars and stripes. The stars are white on a blue field, and the stripes are red and white.

**Essential Question:** What is a hero and how can people show gratitude to those who act heroically in their own communities?

**Learning Goals:**

- Students will understand the role of a first responder in an emergency.
- Students will understand that 9/11 is an important historical event that affected people in the United States and around the world.
- Students will explore the concepts of heroism, gratitude, and sympathy.

**Vocabulary:**

***First responder:*** This is a term used for firefighters, police officers, paramedics, and other rescue workers who help people in an emergency.

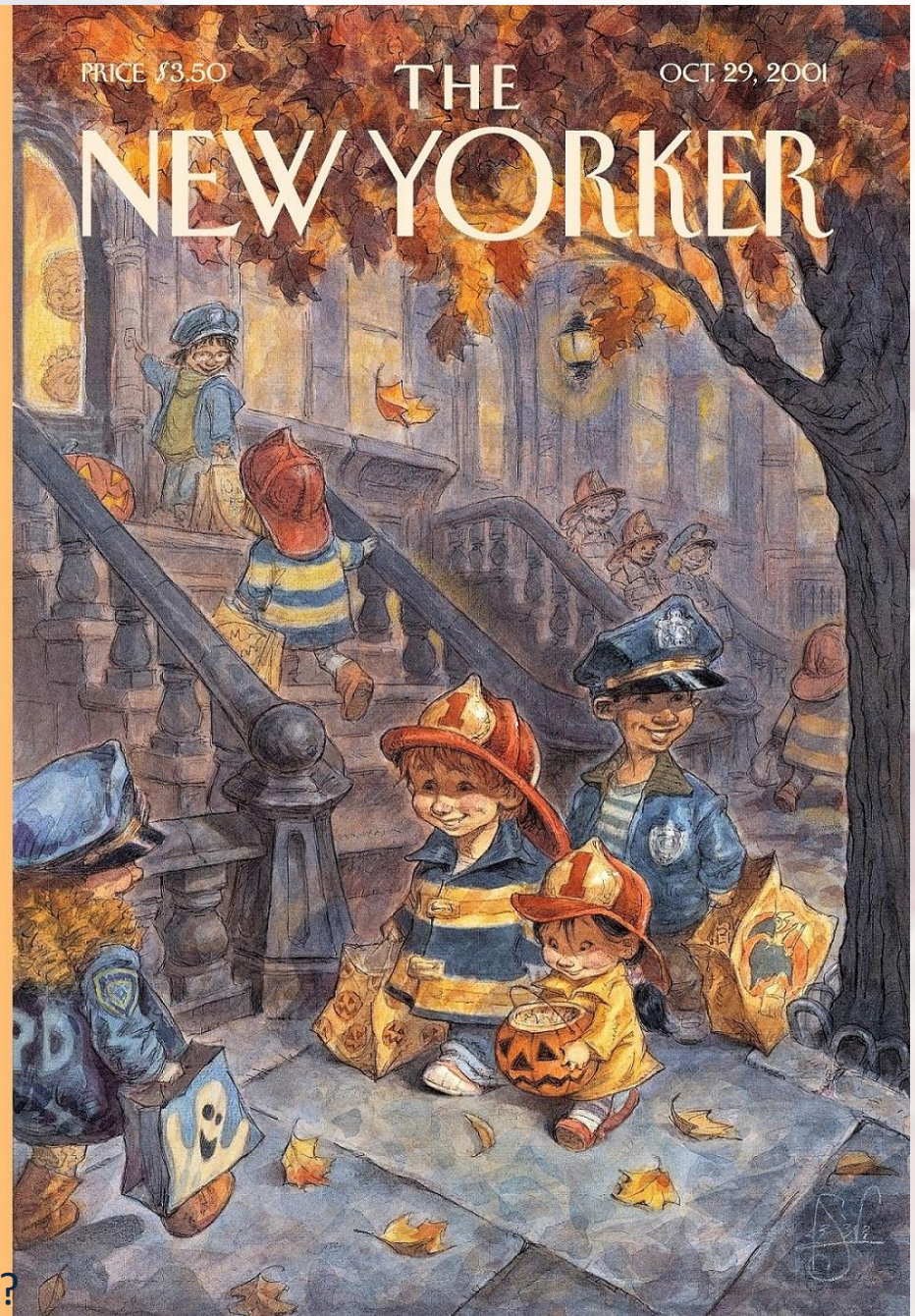
An American flag is visible on the left side of the slide, showing the stars and stripes. The flag is slightly out of focus, with the stars appearing as white shapes on a blue background.

## Activity

1. Display or distribute copies of *The New Yorker* cover titled “Local Heroes.” Click on the image to use the pinch-and-zoom feature for closer viewing.
2. Ask students to look at the cover closely and share what they notice. This can be done as a whole class or in small groups.
3. Lead a guided inquiry by asking the following questions, record student observations on a smartboard or chart paper by category.



1. Who do you see on the cover?  
Who else do you see?
2. What time of year does this place?  
What makes you say that?
3. What are the kids doing?  
What makes you say that?
4. Where does this take place?  
What makes you say that?
5. Recap the recorded responses from students. Tell students this cover is connected to 9/11—shorthand for the date September 11, 2001—and that you are going to work together to discover how, based on their observations.



Ask: Who can tell me what happened on 9/11?



Why is it important to show  
gratitude and support to  
those who help others?



The graphic features a background of the American flag. The top left portion shows the blue field with white stars, while the rest of the top half shows the red and white stripes. The date '9.11' is written in a large, white, cursive script across the center. Below this, a horizontal band contains the text 'WE WILL NEVER FORGET' flanked by white stars on a blue background. The bottom half of the graphic is a solid red band with the words 'PATRIOT DAY' in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. At the very bottom, another horizontal band contains the text 'NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE' flanked by white stars on a blue background.

9.11

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**PATRIOT DAY**

★ ★ ★ ★ NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE ★ ★ ★ ★

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE**







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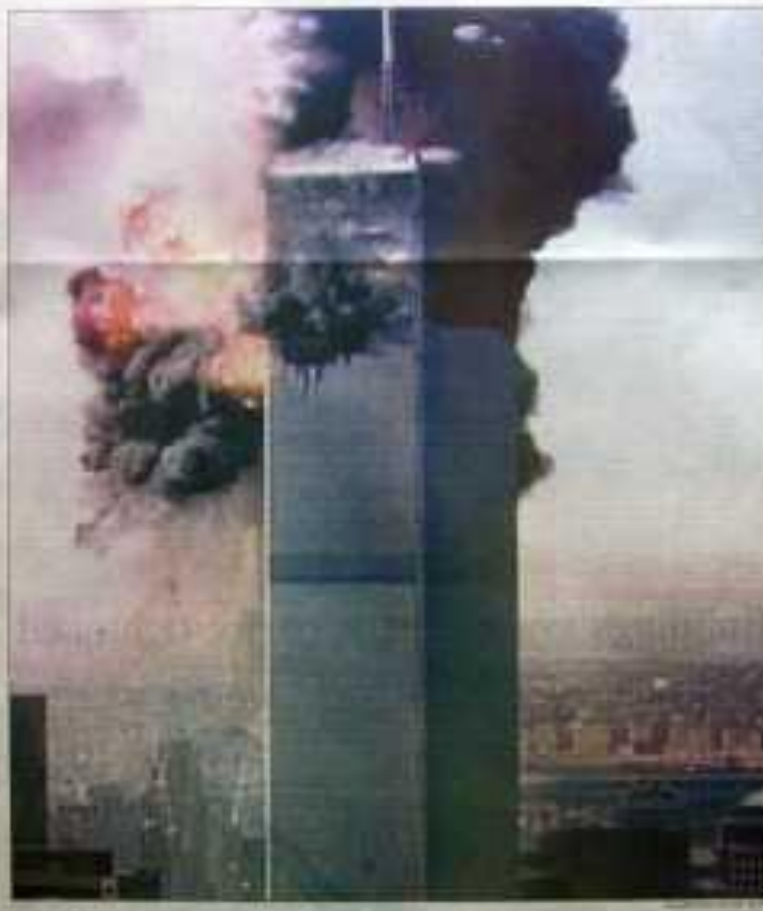
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TERROR FROM THE AIR

## U.S. ATTACKED

Hijacked airliners lead terrorist assault on  
World Trade Center, Pentagon



























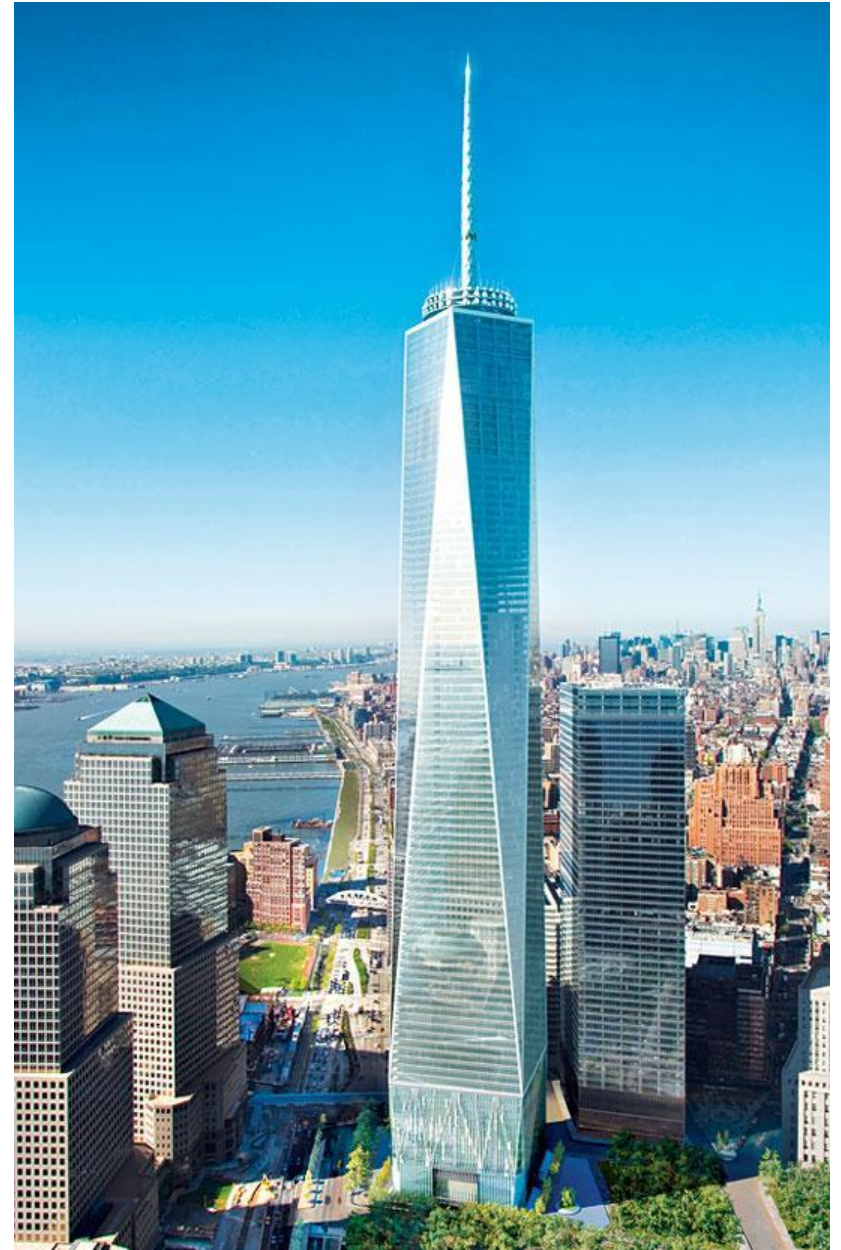


# 9/11 MEMORIALS





**One World  
Trade Center  
also called  
“Freedom  
Tower”**





# Pentagon Memorial





**9/11 Memorial Reflecting Pool**





**Survivor Tree**





Wall of Hope







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