



Historical Flag Fan



Original "Star-Spangled Banner" on view at the National Museum of American History

When the Brown family moved to Frankfort in 1801, the American flag had 15 stripes and 15 stars—one for each state, including Kentucky. In 1814 the flag pictured above survived a night of fighting during the War of 1812. Francis Scott Key celebrated by writing a poem, "The Star-Spangled Banner." You can celebrate a patriotic holiday by making a fan inspired by the 15-star flag.

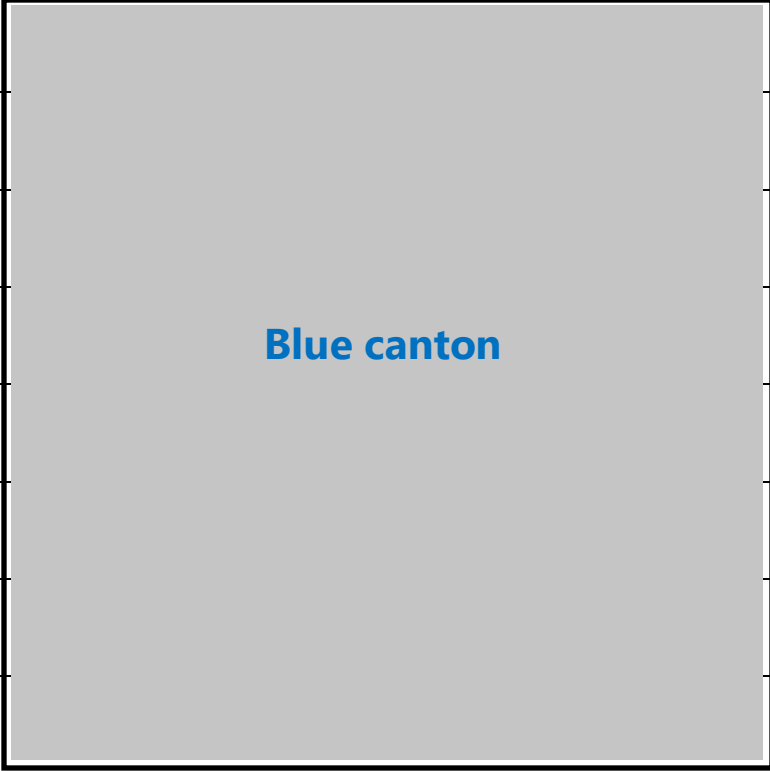
Supplies and equipment

- Pattern (next page)
- 8½ x 11-inch sheet of heavy white paper
- Red construction or scrapbook paper
- Blue construction or scrapbook paper
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Glue Stick
- 6 x ¾-inch wooden craft stick
- Stapler

Instructions

1. Print the pattern on heavy white paper.
2. Cut along the dotted line to make the fan base.
3. Use the ruler and pencil to draw eight stripes, 8½ inches by ½ inch each, on the red paper.
4. Cut out the red paper stripes and glue them to the fan base on the sections marked "Red."
5. Use the ruler and pencil to draw a rectangle, 4½ inches by 4 inches on the blue paper. This rectangle is called a *canton*.
6. Cut out the blue canton and glue in the upper left corner of the fan, covering the stripes.
7. Cut out the 15 stars and glue them to the blue canton. *Or*, make stars with a punch or use star stickers.
8. Position the craft stick in the middle of the bottom of the fan base and staple it to the back to make a handle.





Blue canton

Red

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