





# Monday, May 25 - Huell Howser Memorial Day Marathon-4th-8th grades

**Huell Howser Memorial Day Marathon** 

Huell Howser travels to California's military bases and military museums to celebrate our Golden State's contributions to keeping America the Land of the Free.

After watching this episode, choose from the following questions and/or tasks to extend your learning

#### **Question Box 1**

- Which military bases and military museums did Huell Howser visit in this episode?
- Recall an important detail from each of his visits.
- What types of artifacts are displayed in military museums?
- Why is it important for military museums to retain and display the artifacts that were shown in the episode?

#### **Question Box 2**

- What was your favorite historical story and why?
- What was most challenging or least interesting about this program?
- Do you know any military personnel? If so, who?
- Why do you think America is named "The Land of the Free?" Do you agree with this title? Why or why not?

## Box 3 (Tasks)

- Compare and contrast two of the military bases visited in the program. Note similarities and differences that were new learnings for you.
- Research the difference between Memorial Day and Veteran's Day? Do you have a veteran in your family? Do you honor their sacrifice? How?
- Find a veteran and interview them. Find out why they joined the military? What was their experience like?

### Box 4 (Enrichment)

- Choose one of the military bases or museums visited in the episode. Do additional research and share your new learning with your family and friends.
- Interview someone with military experience. Ask him/her questions that you are curious about and record the answers. Create a presentation that exemplifies that

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person's military experience.

### Box 5 (Extend/Real-Life)

- If you know someone who is or was enlisted in the military, interview them using the following questions. If you don't, another option would be to call a military recruiter station and ask if one of the recruiters is willing to be interviewed via telephone.
  - 1. What branch of the military are you a member of?
  - 2. How long did you serve?
  - 3. How many places did you travel to while in the military?
  - 4. What was your job?
  - 5. Did you have to have special training for this job?
  - 6. What did/do you like the least about the military?
  - 7. What did/do you like the most?
  - 8. Describe the benefits of being in the military?
  - 9. Have you ever been deployed? If yes, where to and for how long?
  - 10. If I were considering a career in the military what would be one piece of advice that you would give me?
- What surprised you the most about the interview?
- Would you consider a career in the military?
- Research careers in the military using this link: https://www.careersinthemilitary.com/home