

Juneteenth Freedom Poster

To celebrate Juneteenth, make a colorful sign to honor the culture, lives, and freedom of Black Americans!
Juneteenth is the national holiday marking the day in 1865 when enslaved African Americans in Texas were finally told about the abolition of slavery at least 2 and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation.

Materials

Cardboard or poster board
Pencil
Markers, crayons, or paint
Paintbrush or sponge
Straight edge or ruler
Tape

What would you like to say about freedom? How would you like to celebrate and honor the lives of Black people on Juneteenth?



Instructions

1. Decide what your Juneteenth message will be! You could write BLACK LIVES MATTER, FREEDOM FOR ALL, a statement about what freedom means to you, or even draw symbols.
2. Cover your cardboard sign base with one paint color, if desired. Allow the paint to dry.
3. Draw horizontal pencil lines for your words or symbols on the sign base to make sure you leave enough room for your message.
4. Sketch your message in pencil.
5. Go over your sketches with markers or paint.
6. Speak up and speak out! Place your sign in your window facing your neighbors or carry it with you to a Juneteenth event.

Go Further

Black Lives Matter is a movement and organization that is moving forward justice and liberation for Black people. Through speaking up, speaking out, and demanding change, Black Lives Matter continues to expand and make historic progress!

Search online to learn more about anti-racism resources, Juneteenth, and movements like Black Lives Matter.

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