

Celebrate Juneteenth

What Liberation Means to Me

Liberation and freedom can mean different things to different people. Reflect on some definitions of words about liberation, as well as your experiences and beliefs, to create a statement or poem about what liberation means to you.



Definitions

liberation, noun

A movement seeking equal rights and status for a group; the state of being freed from or opposed to traditional social and sexual attitudes or roles.

emancipation, noun

The act or process of freeing from restraint, control, or the power of another.

freedom, noun

The quality or state of having the legal and political rights of a citizen, enjoying civil and political liberty, enjoying political independence from outside domination, or not being subject to the control or domination of another.

Craft Your Statement

- **Reflect on the definitions of liberation, emancipation, and freedom.** What do those words mean to you? What feelings, memories, or experiences come to mind for you when you think about these words? You can use this space to make some notes.

- **Write your statement on the bunting triangles on the next pages.** Use the lines as a guide to write what you feel—a paragraph, a poem, or something else.
- **Create celebratory bunting with your triangles.** Decorate your triangles, cut them out, and use string or tape to hang them on a wall or over an entryway to celebrate Juneteenth.



