America Is... 
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Goal: Children will learn about the many different regions in America: What makes them unique, and how they as a whole make up America.

1. Show the cover of the book and ask the children to read the title.

2. Ask what the symbols of America on the cover stand for.

3. Read the story stopping from time-to-time to ask:
   a. Why does our country’s name, America, mean to people around the world?
   b. How many states are in The United States of America?
   c. How many of the states are very old?
   d. What do the stripes on our flag stand for?
   e. What do the stars stand for?
   f. Why do we say the Pledge of Allegiance?
   g. Do you understand what it means?
   h. Can you sing our National Anthem?
   i. What do American farmers do for the rest of us?
   j. What kind type of jobs do Americans have?
   k. Name some cities that are a part of America?
   l. What types of water bodies do we have in America? Can you name one of the major rivers?
   m. Who were the first Americans?
   n. What type of people make up America now?
   o. Where is the prairie? The Chesapeake Bay? A place where winter temperatures can get 10 degrees below zero? Where are the cowboys?
   p. What type of lands make up America?
   q. Who are some Americans that made a difference?

4. What do we celebrate on the 4th of July?

5. What is America?

Activity: Ask the children to write what America means to them. Then have them mail these to local Veterans Service organizations such as: The Veterans of Foreign Wars, The American Legion, etc.

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