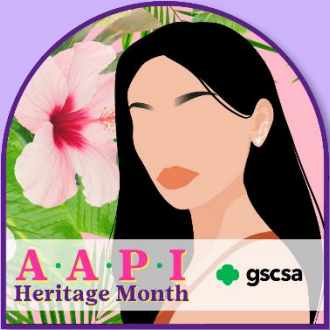




AAPI Heritage Month



May 2024

Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month has been a national observance since 1992. In the 20 years before that, it was celebrated for only a week in May.

Take May to learn more about this month and the stories it represents. Choose at least 10 of the activities at right to complete (or challenge yourself to do all 31!) in order to earn your GSCSA AAPI Heritage Month patch.

Many of these prompts offer suggestions for how to complete them, but you are welcome to complete it your own way.

				1 Look up why May is AAPI Heritage Month.	2 Read a book such as <i>Eyes that Kiss in the Corners</i> or <i>The Paper Kingdom</i> .	3 Pick a Girl Scout pillar and research an AAPI woman in that field.	4 Pick 2 countries in Asia and/or the Pacific Islands to learn more about.
5 Learn more about types of AAPI art such as origami , paper lanterns , and mandalas .	6 Read works by AAPI authors like Malia Maunakea, Jessica Kim, and Claire Ahn.	7 Check out " 12 Ways to Celebrate Asian Pacific Am. Heritage Month " from Google Arts & Culture.	8 Pick a subject that interests you and research an AAPI woman in that field.	9 Learn the difference between the terms <i>Asian American</i> , <i>Pacific Islander</i> , and <i>Native Hawaiian</i> .	10 Check out the online exhibits at the Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center.	11 Try new foods like sushi, chicken masala, poi, or pho. Get adventurous and make your own!	
12 Encourage others to learn about AAPI history.	13 Look up types of AAPI theatre like Noh , kabuki , kathakali , and bunraku .	14 Explore the influence of AAPI individuals in your community and in America.	15 Listen to stories from AAPI artists such as Eth-Noh-Tec and Motoko .	16 Make a commitment to learn people's given name, esp. those of AAPI heritage.	17 Shop at AAPI-owned businesses.	18 Follow AAPI content creators such as Amanda Nguyen .	
19 Attend an AAPI Heritage Month event near you.	20 Type "First AAPI woman to..." into a search engine and see where it takes you.	21 Watch a documentary about Asian American heritage.	22 Write a letter to your school asking them to include AAPI Heritage in the school's curriculum	23 Choose a sport you like and research an AAPI woman who plays it.	24 Earn the GSUSA AAPI Heritage Month patch .	25 Choose 2 AAPI ethnic groups to learn more about.	
26 Learn to say things like "hello" and "thank you" in a language from an AAPI group.	27 Learn about the effects of WWII on Japanese-Americans.	28 Research the beginnings and use of the hashtag #StopAsianHate .	29 Look up National Youth Poet Laureate Alexandra Huynh and listen to her story.	30 Teach your troop at least one interesting fact you've learned this month.	31 Create your own way to celebrate!		