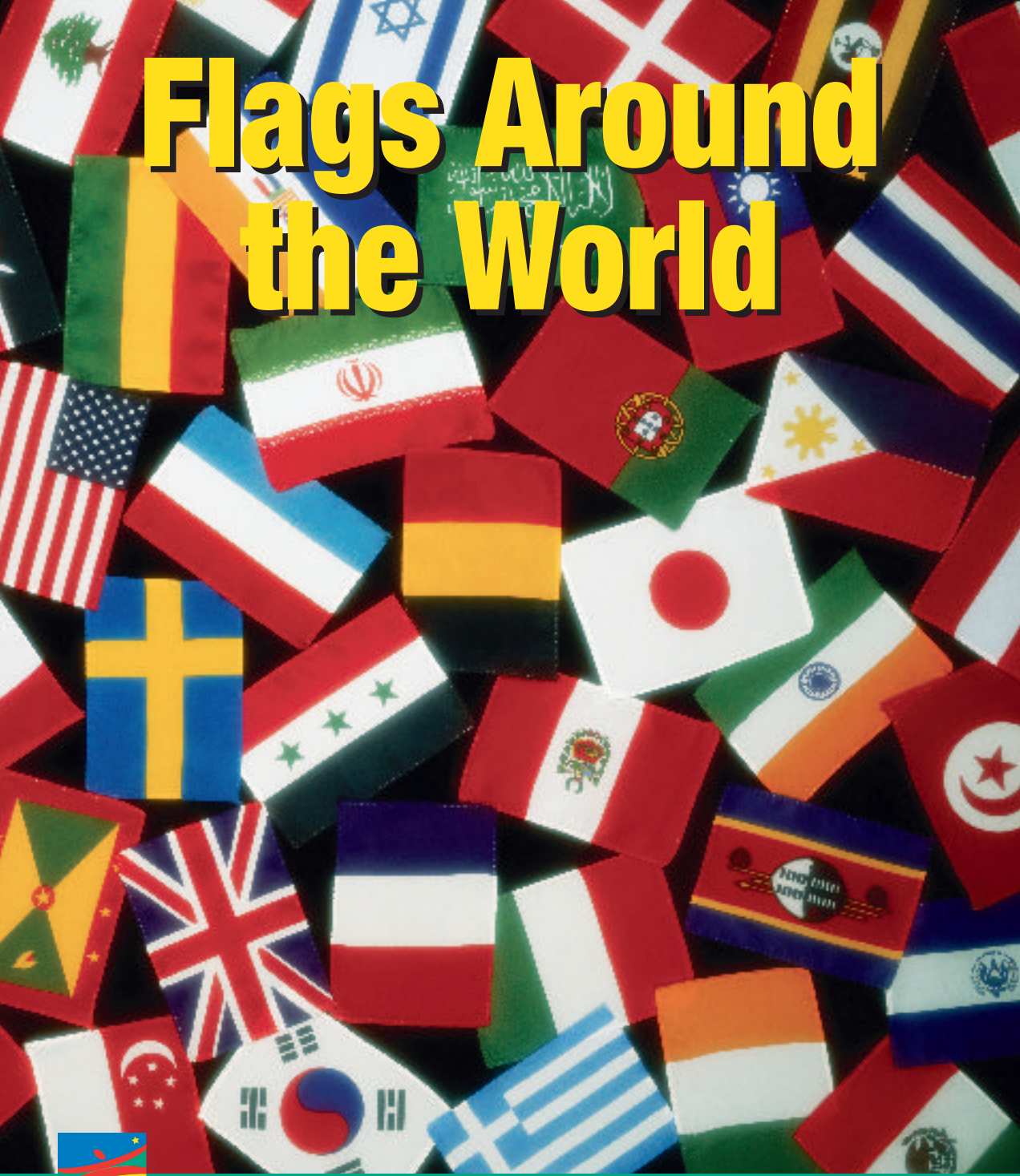
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The Big Idea

This book tells about the flags of many nations.

Skills at a Glance

Monitor-Reading:
- Ask questions

Comprehension:
- Summarize information

Phonics:
- Initial r-family blends (brace, green, trees, triangles)

Fluency:
- Read question marks

Content Vocabulary:
- color, flag, nation, patterns, symbol

Grammar, Word Study, and Language Development:
- Use preposition "of"
- Use adjectives (different, maple, red, rising, square)

Sentence Patterns:
- The ___ is a ___.
- The ___ means ___.

* Numerals, vocabulary words on pages 2 and 3, and words in photo captions, labels, diagrams, and charts are not included in the word count for this book.

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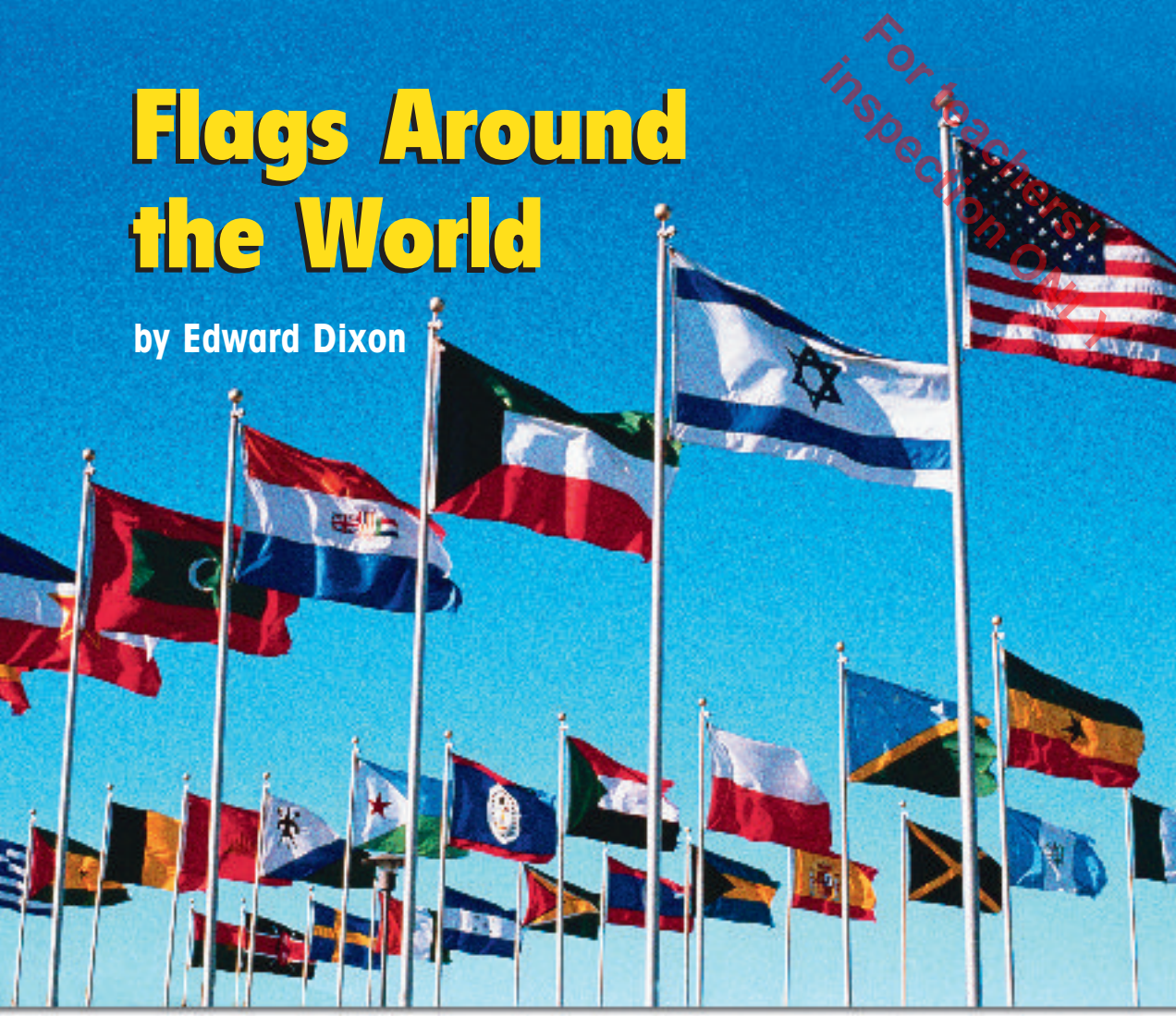
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I need to know these words.

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eagle



flag



maple leaf



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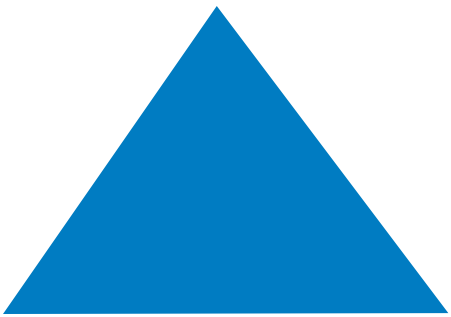
pattern



square



triangle



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What Is a Flag?

A flag is a piece of cloth. A flag can have many colors. A flag can have a pattern, too.



▲ Every nation has a flag.

A flag is a symbol for a nation.

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▲ This flag is a symbol for the United Kingdom.

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What Do the Pictures on a Flag Mean?

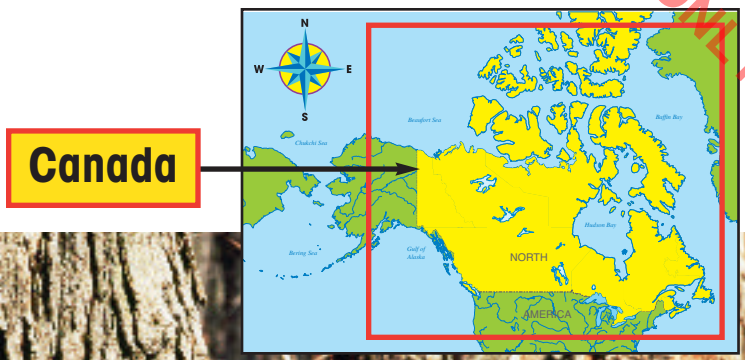
The flags of many nations have pictures. The flag of Canada has a maple leaf.



▲ The maple tree is important to Canada.

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Canada has many maple trees.
People use the trees in many ways.



▲ People use maple trees to make syrup.

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The flag of Japan has a red circle.
The circle looks like a rising sun.

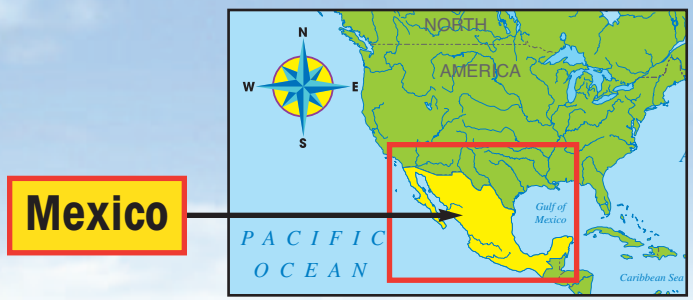


▲ Japan is the land of the rising sun.

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The flag of Mexico shows an eagle.
The eagle is a sign of luck.





▲ The pictures on some flags tell a story.