

How Are You Inspired by America?

In 1839, a man was born in Richford, New York. His father was a con artist and it seemed that he would not amount to anything because of his father's faults. Against what people said about him, he became an American icon. John D. Rockefeller went on to found Standard Oil and became one of the wealthiest men in the world. He is a great example of an American achieving their dreams through perseverance and hard work. This story is one example of how America is inspiring me by its history, proud nationalism, and its people's work ethic.

America's rich history is full of events that inspire me. One of these events is the American Revolution. The men who fought for the independence of our nation risked everything they had so that their children could live in freedom. Their example inspires me to be brave and to do good for my country.

Not only am I inspired by America's history, but also it's proud sense of nationalism. This is shown each summer at Fourth of July celebrations across our great nation. Americans gather with family and friends to honor our freedoms of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness that our forefathers secured long ago.

Although our history and our nationalism motivates me to be a good American citizen, what inspires me the most is the work ethic of America's people. In our country, everyone has the freedom to succeed, and serve our nation in many different ways. From soldiers to firefighters, police officers to teachers, all Americans have the opportunity to make an impact. Our veterans provide a great example of dedication to a worthy cause. Their work ethic is inspiring to me because they are willing to leave the comforts of home to help people that they might not even know. I am grateful to live in a

country where opportunities abound and if my work ethic is strong enough, I can achieve anything.

Through its history, nationalism, and outstanding work ethic, I am inspired by America to take advantage of the freedoms I have in order to be the best person I can be. John D. Rockefeller gained great wealth, but was also one of the greatest philanthropists of all time. In his lifetime, he gave over half a billion dollars to help people in need. America inspires me to achieve my dreams and to help others along my way.