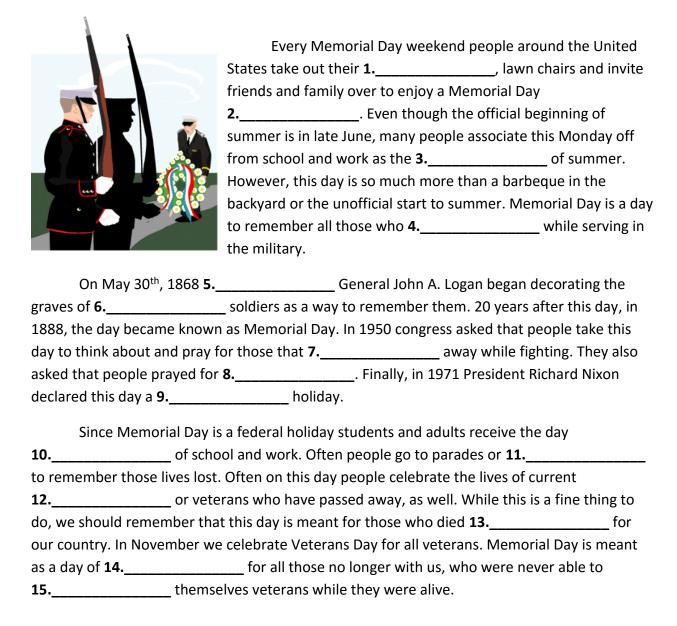# A Day of Remembrance

Complete the math problems on the next page in order to find the missing words and complete this short text.

Every Memorial Day weekend people around the United States take out their **1._____**, lawn chairs and invite friends and family over to enjoy a Memorial Day **2._____**. Even though the official beginning of summer is in late June, many people associate this Monday off from school and work as the **3._____** of summer. However, this day is so much more than a barbeque in the backyard or the unofficial start to summer. Memorial Day is a day to remember all those who **4._____** while serving in the military.

On May 30th, 1868 **5._____** General John A. Logan began decorating the graves of **6._____** soldiers as a way to remember them. 20 years after this day, in 1888, the day became known as Memorial Day. In 1950 congress asked that people take this day to think about and pray for those that **7._____** away while fighting. They also asked that people prayed for **8._____**. Finally, in 1971 President Richard Nixon declared this day a **9._____** holiday.

Since Memorial Day is a federal holiday students and adults receive the day **10._____** of school and work. Often people go to parades or **11._____** to remember those lives lost. Often on this day people celebrate the lives of current **12._____** or veterans who have passed away, as well. While this is a fine thing to do, we should remember that this day is meant for those who died **13._____** for our country. In November we celebrate Veterans Day for all veterans. Memorial Day is meant as a day of **14._____** for all those no longer with us, who were never able to **15._____** themselves veterans while they were alive.

1. 9.43 + 4.32	2. 7.45 – 2.98	3. 54.1 x 100
grills: 13.75 **fire pits:** 13.65 **fires:** 13.76	**cook outs:** 5.54 **barbeques:** 4.47 **picnics:** 4.54	**commencement:** 54.1 **start:** 541.0 **beginning:** 5410
4. 231.4 x 10	5. 0.36 ÷ 6	6. 4.532 + .432
succumbed: 231.4 **died:** 2314 **killed:** 23140	**Union:** 0.06 **Northern:** 0.6 **American:** 0.006	**Union:** 4.100 **Confederate:** 4.954 **Civil War:** 4.964
7. 0.72 ÷ 8	8. 0.01 + 0.99	9. 7 x .44
died: 9 **went:** 0.9 **passed:** 0.09	**peace:** 1 **calm:** 0.100 **harmony:** 1.01	**national:** 2.28 **federal:** 3.08 **American:** 3.18
10. 8.94 – 1.23	11. 0.483 – 0.239	12. 26.5 x 100
free: 7.77 **off:** 7.71 **open:** 1.17	**tombs:** 0.243 **cemeteries:** 0.244 **graveyards:** 0.240	**servicemen:** 26500 **soldiers:** 265 **veterans:** 2650
13. 6 x 0.7	14. 0.135 ÷ 9	15. 74 x 82
fighting: 4.2 **battling:** 42 **beating:** .42	**melody:** 1.5 **song:** 0.15 **remembrance:** 0.015	**call:** 6068 **name:** 5768 **know:** 6058