

## Hooray for the U.S.A.

An American History Poem

Hooray for the U.S.A.  
Let's wave our flag every day!

Native Americans lived in this land.  
Explorers arrived and thought it was grand.  
The pilgrims landed and stayed here.  
Indians helped them survive the first year.

The Colonists and British could not agree.  
Those Colonists fought so they could be free.  
One fourth of July – Independence Day  
A new country was formed – The great U.S.A

Traveling by wagon, some pioneers bold  
Headed west for land and also for gold  
Later Americans could not agree  
Then the Civil War ended slavery.

Inventors came up with ideas so bright  
Like the telephone and the electric light.  
After inventions by Bell and Edison came many others  
Like the airplane invented by the famous Wright  
Brothers.

America still had to learn many a lesson,  
Through two World Wars and the Great Depression.  
Americans struggled and worked for the day  
When peace and equal rights would be here to stay

Today computers have put us in space  
And through the internet we can be anyplace.  
We're proud of our country, two hundred years new,  
There's no better place for me or for you!

### Evaluation Criteria:

20 points each. Points may be subtracted for errors.

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