Flag Design Worksheet

Use the boxes below to sketch out your flag design ideas. When designing keep in mind the 5 Basic Principles of Flag Design: Use the lines to write notes about the symbolism in your flag.

5 Basic Principles of Flag Design

1. **Keep It Simple** - The flag should be so simple that a child can draw it from memory.
2. **Use Meaningful Symbolism** - The flag's images, colors, or patterns should relate to what it symbolizes.
3. **Use 2 or 3 Basic Colors** - Limit the number of colors on the flag to three, which contrast well.
4. **No Lettering or Seals** - Never use writing of any kind or an organization's seal.
5. **Be Distinctive or Be Related** - Avoid duplicating other flags, but use similarities to show connections.

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