

### Teacher's Guide Designed for Grades 6-8

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# PRODUCTION OVERVIEW

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### SHOW HISTORY



### THE ALL HANDS ON DECK SHOW was born out of gratitude and patriotism.

In 2007, I decided to write a show that would not only say "Thank You" to the greatest generation; the men and women who served our country during WWII and the Korean Conflict; but also, would remind Americans of a time when our country was truly united.

Our 1942 Roadshow & Radio Broadcast is very special to me; I spent nearly four years writing it. Saying something important with these songs was my intention. We are reminded every day that our country has challenges. Our songs and deportment all focus on patriotic unity, our "Can Do!" spirit, and what's right about our country. For younger generations, this show offers a glimpse of what was and what can be. For the senior generations, it offers a trip down memory lane to the 'best of times'. Ultimately, I simply want everyone to leave the theatre feeling a little bit better and happier about our country.

I chose the Hollywood Victory Caravan, a group of famous Hollywood film stars who toured America by train in early 1942 selling war bonds, as the setting for the show. My research uncovered that no one had ever written a show based on the Caravan. Their road shows raised millions of dollars for the war effort, and no one had ever fully honored them. 1942 was one of the most pivotal years in world history; paving the way for much of the prosperity we enjoy in our great country today. That's our theme: feeling united, then and now.

> Jody Madaras Creator & Author, AHOD Show

### DESCRIPTION OF CHARACTERS



TED CROSLEY Jody Madaras

Host of the show, a song-n-dance man.



JOHN HANDLEY Randall Patterson

Hollywood's most sought-after tenor.



DAISY MAXWELL Madeline Clem

Hollywood's newest girl next door.



BETTY BLAKE Valerie Hill

Ted Crosley's female counterpart and torch singer

ANNOUNCER Optional Role for teacher or principal MAXWELL HOUSE GUEST STAR(S) Optional Role .....

If planned ahead, a member of your school could be part of the show!

### LIST OF MUSICAL NUMBERS

- ★ I've Heard That Song Before
- ★ Maxwell House Coffee Commercial
- ★ Any Bonds Today?
- $\star$  Rosie the Riveter
- ★ I'm Gonna Site Right Down and Write Myself a Letter
- ★ Pennsylvania Polka
- ★ By the Light of the Silvery Moon
- ★ Moonlight Bay



- U.S. MILITARY SERVICE SONGS
- ★ Caissons Go Rolling Along
- ★ Semper Paratus
- ★ Anchors Aweigh
- ★ Heave Ho!
- ★ Off We Go Into the Wild Blue Yonder
- ★ Marines' Hymn
- $\star$  America the Beautiful

### ABOUT THE CREATOR/AUTHOR



Jody Madaras has been described as a home town farm boy who went to New York and 'made good.' In a family of great Americans lives patriotism, reverence, gratitude, honor, and integrity. Madaras has masterfully crafted together those values into a production that takes us all on a sentimental, and truly inspirational, journey.

Madaras' strong patriotism is credited in large part to his family. His grandmother June was extremely active in the American Legion Auxiliary.

"Growing up with Grandma, we always listened to these songs. She was very proud of the United States and believed we are at our best when we are united. Her handwriting is in this show."

His grandfather, Adolph "Duff" immigrated through Ellis Island from Hungary in 1911, and proudly served as an officer in the US Navy in WWII.

The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show premiered in 2011 in Perrysburg, Ohio. Madaras said:

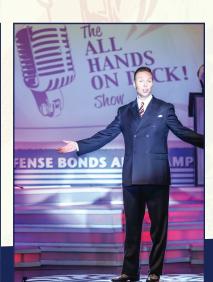
"It was a complete surprise that so many people came to the show in Perrysburg. I had a simple idea worth trying, and the audiences' response was overwhelming."

2012 brought a highly successful national tour which continues today, playing to sold out houses all across the U.S.A.

Madaras holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theater degree from the University of Michigan.







# LESSON PLAN FOR TEACHERS

These lessons and reproducible worksheets are designed for grades 6 - 8. Lessons explore the history of World War II and musical theater. These are practical, easy-to-do activities that can be used before or after attending *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show*.

### Includes:

Pre-Show Activities Post-Show Activities Anytime Activity

### KWL CHART



OBJECTIVE Pre-Show

Students will self-evaluate their knowledge of musical theater and World War II.

### NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Think about musical theater and World War II ...

What do I know about these topics?

What do I want to learn or have questions about these topics?

after some study ...

What did I learn?

### WEB QUEST





Students will explore *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show* website to gain basic knowledge about this show.

#### NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Type in: www.allhandsondeckshow.com

Read the HOME page and answer these questions:

- 1. How many years has the show been touring?
- 2. AHOD is a reproduction of what?
- 3. What awards has the show won?

Go to ABOUT and click on HISTORY:

4. Who created AHOD? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What inspired the creator to write this show?

Go to NEWS and click on Media. Scroll down to Recent Radio Interviews. Now, listen to the KASU 91.5 FM radio interview. List three interesting facts you learned from the interview:

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Go to SCHEDULE. Find the map of Past Shows and list of locations. *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show* tours nationally. How many states has the show visited?

9. \_

### WEB QUEST: KEY



Read the HOME page and answer these questions:

- 1. How many years has the show been touring? 6 years
- 2. AHOD is a reproduction of what? Roadshow and radio broadcast
- **3. What awards has the show won?** 2017 Branson Terry Music Award 2017 Branson Show Award

Go to ABOUT and click on HISTORY:

4. Who created AHOD? Jody Madaras

5. What inspired the creator to write this show? Strong family patriotism

Go to NEWS and click on Media. Scroll down to Recent Radio Interviews. Now, listen to the KASU 91.5 FM radio interview. List three interesting facts you learned from the interview:

- 6. answers will vary
- 7. answers will vary
- 8. answers will vary

Go to SCHEDULE. Find the map of Past Shows and list of locations. *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show* tours nationally. **How many states** has the show visited?

9. 23 states



## HISTORY (MINI-RESEARCH)





Students will define and explain these terms that relate to *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show.* 

#### NAME:

AHOD takes place during World War II. At that time in history, the entertainment industry helped the war cause by selling war bonds. Research these terms and famous people that helped the United States raise money to support the war effort.

Define/explain these terms or famous people:

World War II:

Hollywood Victory Caravan (check out the National WWII Museum website):

War bonds:

# HISTORY (MINI-RESEARCH)

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Martha Raye:	
Rosie the Riveter (check out www.history.com):	
Army:	
Navy:	
Air Force:	
Coast Guard:	
Marines:	
Merchant Marines:	

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### HISTORY (MINI-RESEARCH): KEY



SPECIAL NOTES

This lesson could be a student research project or classroom lecture with teacher presenting information.

Define/explain these terms or famous people:

**World War II:** A war fought from 1939 to 1945 between Axis powers (Germany, Italy, Japan) and Allied powers (France, Britain, and later The Soviet Union and United States)

**Hollywood Victory Caravan:** A two week, cross-country railroad journey in 1942 that brought together two dozen film stars to raise money for the Army and Navy Relief Society. It raised \$700,000.

**War bonds:** Debt securities issued by the government to help pay for military operations in times of war.

**Bob Hope:** An American comedian who had a long career performing in 57 USO shows to entertain active duty American military members.

Jack Benny: An American radio-TV comedian. Benny was part of USO shows entertaining US troops in Korea.

**Martha Raye:** An American comic, actress and singer who performed in movies and later television. She entertained US troops traveling with the USO. Her nickname was "Colonel Maggie."

**Rosie the Riveter:** A cultural icon of WWII, representing the women who worked in factories and shipyards during the war. There is a famous poster called "We Can Do It" that would be called "Rosie the Riveter."

Army: The military force equipped to fight on land.

Navy: The nation's armed services that conducts military operations at sea.

Air Force: The nation's armed services that conducts military operations in the air.

**Coast Guard:** Responsible for the enforcement of maritime law and for the protection of life and property at sea. Also protects the border.

Marines: The nation's troops trained to serve on land or at sea.

Merchant Marines: Primarily transports cargo, military personnel and material for the military.

## WORD SEARCH

AIR FORCE ARMY MARINES RADIO ALL HANDS ON DECK **BIG BAND** MUSICAL THEATRE TOUR AMERICA CARAVAN NAVY WWII



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### WORD SEARCH: KEY

AIR FORCE ARMY MARINES RADIO ALL HANDS ON DECK **BIG BAND** MUSICAL THEATRE TOUR AMERICA CARAVAN NAVY WWII



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### ELEMENTS OF MUSICAL THEATER



OBJECTIVE Post-Show Students will analyze the 6 elements of musical theater as they relate to *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show.* 

NAME:

Every good story contains the 6 elements of musical theater.

After watching AHOD, answer these questions:

Theme - What is the main topic or message of the show?

Plot - What are the main events in the show?:



Characters - Who are the people in the show?: \_\_\_\_\_

### ELEMENTS OF MUSICAL THEATER



Language - Were there any interesting phrases used in the show that helps describe the 1940s?:

Music - What kind of music/songs were used?:

Spectacle - What did the costumes, sets and lighting look like?:



## MUSICAL THEATER: KEY



#### After watching AHOD, answer these questions:

Theme - What is the main topic or message of the show? Working together; being united; Americanism and patriotism

Plot - What are the main events in the show?: 1942 Roadshow and Radio Broadcast

**Characters - Who are the people in the show?:** Ted Crosley, host of the show; John Handley; Daisy Maxwell; Betty Blake

Language - Were there any interesting phrases used in the show that helps describe the 1940s?: Rosie the Riveter; jokes from the show; selling bonds (war bonds)

Music - What kind of music/songs were used?: Big Band music/orchestra; military service songs

Spectacle - What did the costumes, sets and lighting look like?: Red, white and blue patriotic set; orchestra on stage; 1940-period dresses, suits and military uniforms



Broadway voices. All-Live Orchestra. Songs that inspire our Nation.

## ART IN ACTION





Students will create and design a show logo for *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show* to understand visual arts as it relates to history and culture.

#### NAME: \_

Using what you have learned after seeing AHOD, create a new logo for the show. This can be hand designed or computer generated. Must be in color.



Current logo

Logo: A symbol or design of a company name, trademark or musical often uniquely designed for easy recognition.

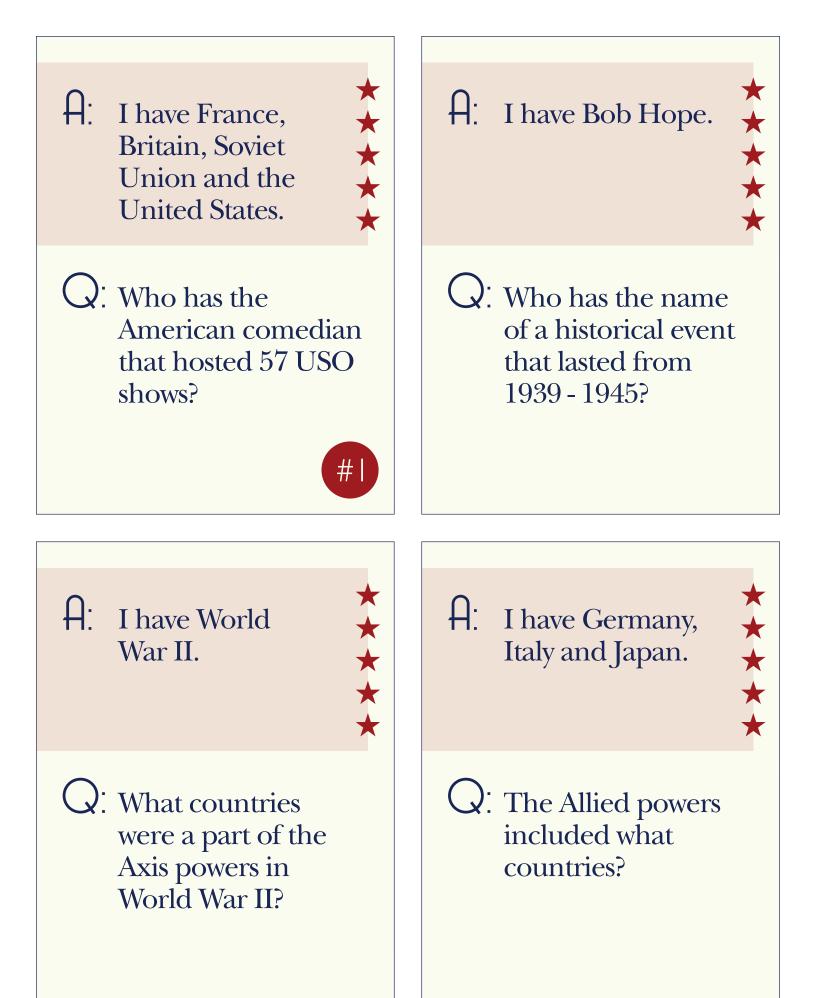
### AHOD ZIP AROUND

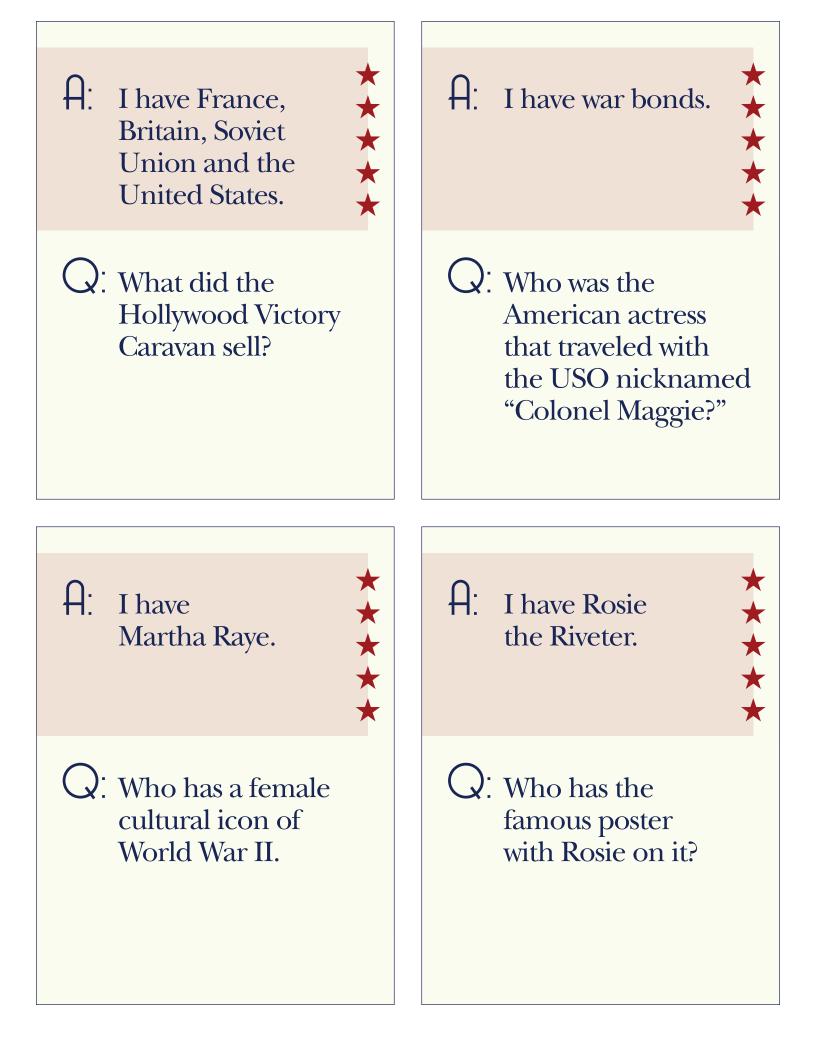


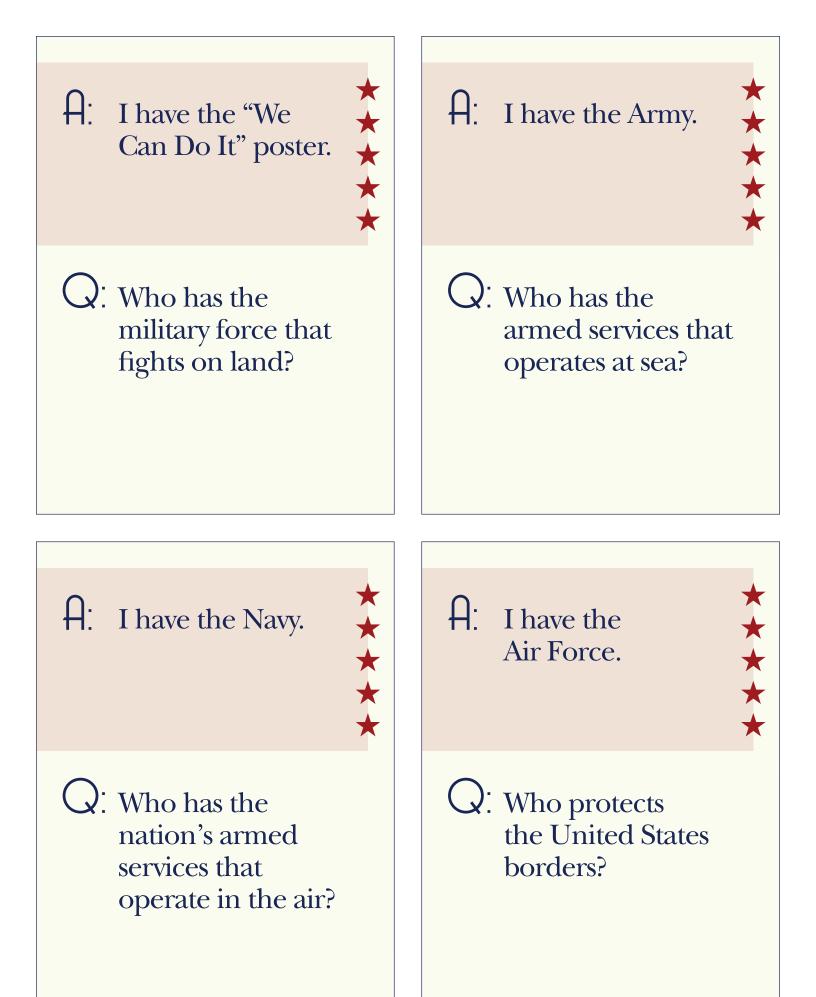
OBJECTIVE Post-Show

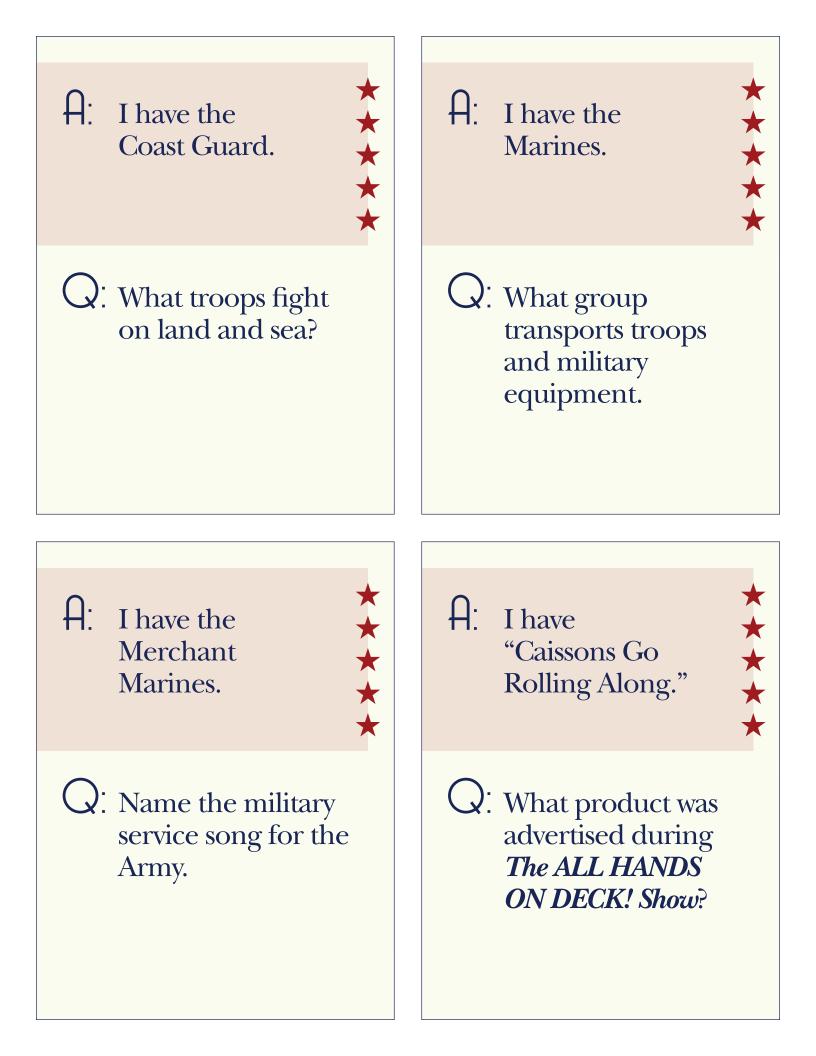
Students will review important information that relates to *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show*.

- Print and cut the cards that appear on the following pages.
- $\star$  Distribute the cards throughout the classroom in random order.
- ★ Begin with the Starter Card (#1) and have the student read the answer (A) aloud and then the question (Q).
- ★ The student with the answer to the question should respond by reading the answer on their card (A), again followed by the question on their card (Q).
- Continue through all 20 cards (the final card will have a question that goes back to the answer on the Starter Card). The object of this review is to "Zip Around"the classroom.
- ★ To add excitement, time the activity. Play 2 or 3 times through, and add variety by switching cards each time.









A: I have Maxwell House Coffee.

Q: Who created *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show*? H: I have Jody Madaras.

Q: Who has a song from the show with the name of a state in it?

A: I have "Pennsylvania Polka."



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Q: What year did *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show* take place? **A**: I have 1942.

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Q: Name the show that steps back to a time when America was united.

## ACTIVE LISTENING



OBJECTIVE Anytime Students will begin to understand the relationship between music, history and culture. They will explain how music reflects feelings, emotions, culture and history.

Listen to the music from *The ALL HANDS ON DECK! Show*, carefully giving it your full attention. These songs could be played before or after attending the show.

Consider these questions for a classroom discussion:

- ★ What experience have you had with live music?
- ★ What groups/singer do you like?
- ★ What did you hear? What instruments did you hear?
- ★ What did you think about as you listened to this music?
- $\star$  Do any stories come to mind from your listening?
- ★ Have you heard this music before?
- ★ What have you learned from listening to these songs?



