



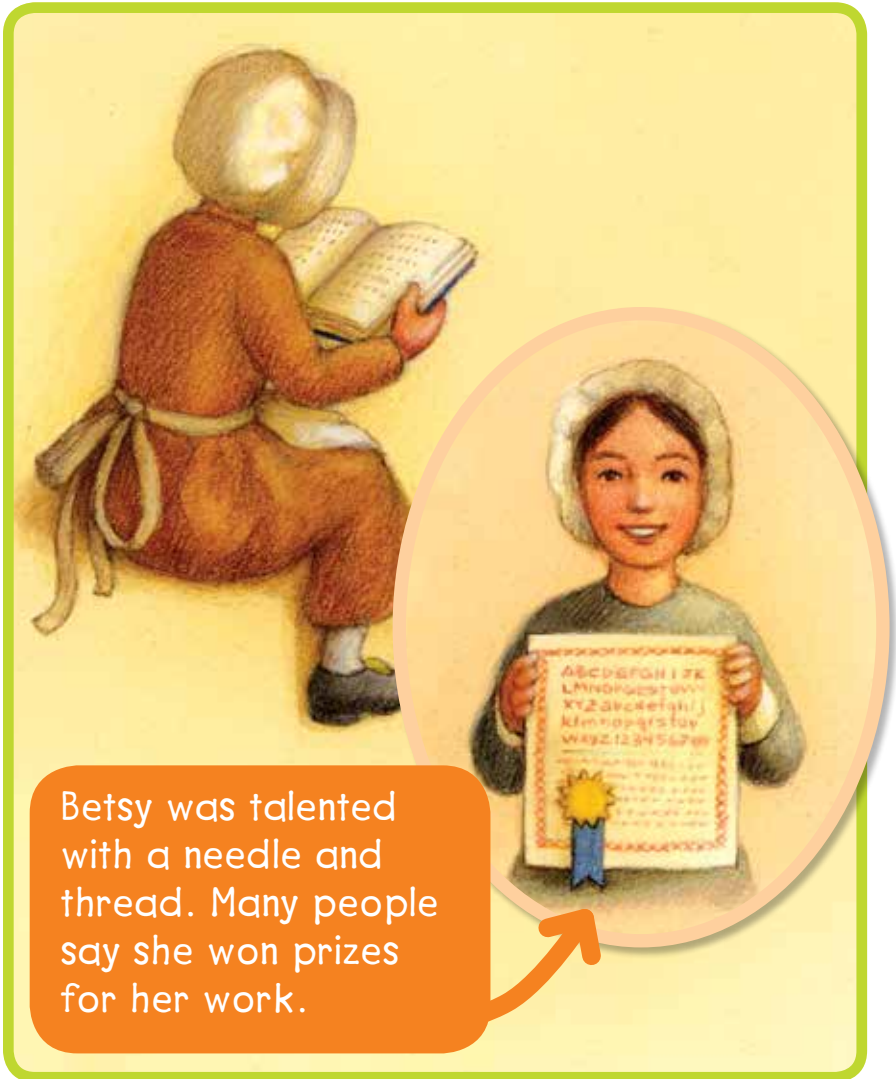
Betsy Ross lived  
from 1752 to 1836.  
She may have  
sewn the first  
American flag.

Have you ever wondered how America got its first flag? Some people believe that a woman named Betsy Ross made it. Read on to learn all about this famous story.

Betsy had 16 brothers and sisters. There were lots of **chores** to do. Betsy helped with the **sewing**.



Betsy was born in Pennsylvania in 1752. Pennsylvania was one of the 13 colonies ruled by England at that time. America had not yet become a country.



Betsy was talented with a needle and thread. Many people say she won prizes for her work.

Not all children went to school in those days. But Betsy did. She learned to read and write. She also learned how **to sew**.

## Glossaire

**chore** (n) : corvée; **chores** : tâches ménagères

**to join the army** : s'enrôler, s'engager dans l'armée

**to fix** (vt) : réparer

**to get started** : commencer

**to run** (vt) : gérer, administrer, tenir

**to sew** (vt) : coudre; **sewing** (n) : la couture

**sketch** (n) : croquis

**snip** (n) : petit coup de ciseaux

**stand for** (v) : représenter

**supplies** (n) : fournitures, matériel

**upholsterer** (n) : tapissier