

Hello everyone!

The topic for today's class is: **U.S. Labor Day Holiday**. We will discuss the history of the labor movement in the U.S. and share our work experiences.



AGENDA

1. Review video/video vocabulary: History of Labor Day (3 minutes)
2. Discussion questions: breakout rooms, small groups
3. Wrap-up: large group questions and comments

Reminder: *The focus of the class is on conversation to improve fluency and vocabulary at the intermediate/advanced level. Mistakes are OK! We are here to help each other.*

The History Channel

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YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJamea576YY>

Video Vocabulary:

Compromised

“wiped from its books”

Rallying

Appease

Diminished

Blue-collar

Dwindling

Leisurely

“Summer’s Last Bow”



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Labor Day Holiday – QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. What do you think are the most important rights that workers should have?
2. Is Labor Day celebrated in your country? Are there any unique traditions?
3. Have you ever participated in a strike or labor protest? If not, would you?
4. What was the best (or worst) job you've ever had?
5. Do you believe that a universal basic income could replace traditional labor? Why or why not?
6. What do you think life would be like if no one ever had to work?