

A script from



"I'm Putting Up the Flag"

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- What** As a man raises the American flag outside of his house, he reflects on what it means to be able to display this symbol of freedom. **Themes:** Freedom, America, Pride, July 4th, Flag Day, Memorial Day, Veteran's Day, Patriotism, Liberty, Sacrifice
- Who** Dad
- When** Present
- Wear (Props)** Optional- American flag
- Why** Galatians 5:1; John 8:36
- How** Be very conversational, as if you were speaking to one person. An option is to have an American flag as if you're on your way to hang it up on your front porch. For more ideas, preview the video "I'm Putting Up the Flag" at www.skitguys.com.
- Time** Approximately 2-4 minutes

A *man* addresses the audience.

So, my daughter's home from college the other day and she says to me, "Dad, why are you putting up the flag? It's like two weeks until (*insert appropriate holiday here*)."

I'm not real sure how to answer her. I'm tempted to say to her, "Because I can." But, uh...that felt a little...flippant. So, I said, "I don't know, Baby. It's a nice day. And it seemed like a good thing to do." She just nodded and went back in the house.

I'm not...uh...not always real...good with words. You know? But I thought about it...her question...while I was mowing the grass.

This is what I wish I would've told her:

"I'm putting up the flag because it's Saturday. And this afternoon, I'm gonna mow the grass. *My* grass, in front of *my* house ...the house that I own. I can do that here...in this country. I can own a house. And mow grass.

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ENDING:

And I'm putting up the flag 'cause there's a kid down the street who's a Marine, and I want the neighbor's to know I'm proud of him and...

Well, I'm putting up the flag 'cause it's a nice flag, for a nice place. A great place. It's not a perfect place. Not even close. But it's...it's *my* place. And I'm glad it is."

So...I'm putting up the flag because it's Saturday, and, well...because I can.

Lights fade. The end.