

# TEN WITH A FLAG

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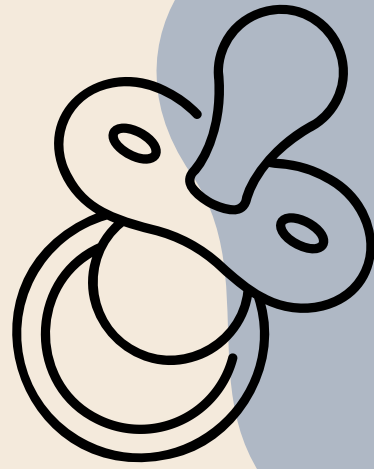


## Introduction

Johnnie and his pregnant wife (narrator) have been given the results to a test stating their baby's ranking and received a flag.

## Initiating incident

Johnnie and his wife are sent to human services to get results saying that their unborn baby has been ranked a ten on the ranking system, which is the highest ranking, but then they were also told that the baby has been flagged. Since the baby has been flagged, the parents are given a choice from human services whether they want to abort the baby.



## Rising Actions

- First, Johnnie and his wife are taken to human services to meet with Mr. White to discuss their baby
- Second, Mr. White promoted Johnnie and his wife's ranking from a six to an eight.
- Third, Johnnie and his wife talk about the flag and the pros and cons of keeping or aborting the baby.
- Fourth, Johnnie and his wife discuss whether they are going to abort the baby or keep him.
- Fifth, the wife lets Johnnie choose and he decides to abort the baby.

## Climax

Johnnie and his wife are at Dr. Jones office where they come to their decision. Johnnie decides that he wants to abort the baby. Once they are about to start the operation, Mr. White barges in with human services officers and arrests Johnnie for the decision he made.



## Falling Action & Conclusion

Johnnie gets arrested by the government officials for deciding to evoke the flag option. The story finishes with the narrator being told that her baby doesn't have a flag. She realizes that the flag was a test and her husband was the sacrifice.



## Theme

The short story "Ten with a Flag" is mentioning the importance of human rights and government control over today's society.