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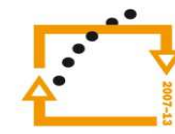
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USA



Location

- The USA is located in North America
- The area is more than 9 mil square km, US is the 3rd largest country in the world
- The area includes Alaska and Hawaii, it has borders on Canada (in the north) and Mexico (in the south), the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans
- The east coast has many cities, like New York City, Boston and the capital Washington D.C.
- The middle of the country is quite flat, this is where most of the farming of US occurs.

Geography is very varied

- The southern half is more tropical in the east and more desert-like in the west. The western half also has many mountains, the Rocky mountains and national parks.
- The longest US river is the Missouri river, followed by Mississippi river
- The highest mountain is Mount McKinley in Alaska (6 196m)
- The lowest point 86m below sea level in Death Valley in California



Basic facts

- The capital and 2nd largest city is Washington D.C.
- Population is more than 305 million people
- The country is often called „melting pot“ – because US is made up of so many different ethnic groups. There are 5 major ones: white (Caucasian), black (African american), Hispanic, Asian and Native American
- Largest cities are: New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia, Houston, Detroit, San Francisco



Political system

- Form of government: Federal republic
- Head of state: President (Barack Obama)
- USA divided into 50 states and a federal district (D.C.)
- Currency: 1 US dollar – 100 cents
- Major exported goods: cars, computers, airplanes
- Major imported goods: petroleum, cars, clothing, telecommunication equipment

History dates

- The USA was founded on July 4th, 1776
- Christopher Columbus sailing under the Spanish flag discovered America on 1st October, 1492
- The English founded first permanent settlement in the New World in Jamestown, in Virginia
- The Boston Tea Party (1776) was the first conflict which led to the War of Independence in Britain
- The Declaration of Independence, created mainly by Thomas Jefferson, was adopted in 1776
- George Washington was the first US president in 1789

Natural attraction

- There are a lot of natural attractions in US, such as Yellowstone National Park, with its geysers and Yosemite National Park with its rocks and waterfalls. The Grand Canyon is a spectacular canyon on the Colorado River. In Sequoia National Park you can find some of the largest living trees on Earth. Everglades National Park in Florida, a special wetland where you can see many animals including alligators.

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