

# Tell me what you know about the United States



# United States "stars and stripes" flag symbolism



- The 50 stars on the flag represent the 50 states of the United States of America.
- The 13 stripes represent the thirteen British colonies that declared independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain and became the first states in the Union.
- White: Signifies purity and innocence
- Red: Signifies valor and bravery
- Blue: Signifies Vigilance, perseverance, and justice
- "The star is a symbol of the heavens and the divine goal to which man has aspired from time immemorial; the stripe is symbolic of the rays of light emanating from the sun."

#### **United States Facts**

Official languages - The USA does not have an official language

National anthem - The Star Spangled Banner

Population - 327 million

Size of the USA - 3.8 million square miles

Capital City - Washington, DC (The White House)





#### More facts

In 1776 the United States changed its name from the "United Colonies" to the United States of America. The word America means "large hill" and was named by an early explorer.

The United States of America is called the USA, the US, America, The States

13 % of the population of the USA speak Spanish. Mexico borders the USA to the south and many people come from Spanish-speaking countries.

Rhode Island is the smallest state at 1,034 square miles

Alaska is the largest state at 570,641 square miles (do you know where Alaska is?)

The most populated state is California with 39, 536, 653 people

The least populated state is Wyoming with 544, 270 people

# One US dollar is .89 euro (they call US money the 'greenback' or 'bucks')













#### President of the United States - Donald Trump



#### The Government of the United States

Republican and Democratic Parties (Trump is a Republican)

Parliamentary democracy - One country, one president but 50 states with their own government and laws

Elections held every four years



#### **Industries in the United States**



Movies



Bankof America >>
US bank
CHASE O
PNCBANK
WELLS FARGO

**Finance** 



Technology



**Automotive** 

Oil and gas



Retail



Aircraft - Boeing





Agriculture - beef, poultry, soybeans, fruits, vegetables

#### Big cities in the United States



Manhattan, New York



Chicago, Illinois



Los Angeles, California (LA)



Houston, Texas



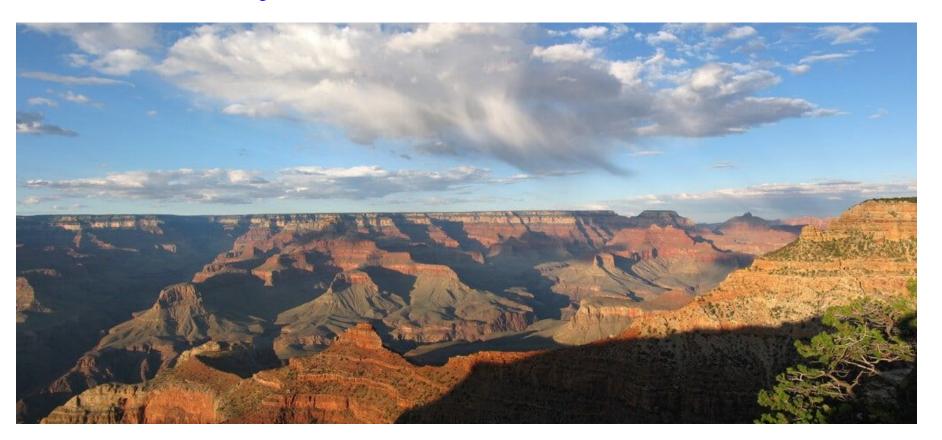
Miami, Florida

#### Fun places to visit in the United States

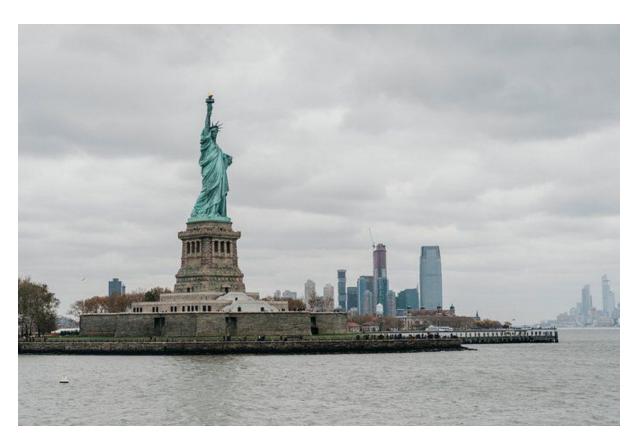


DISNEYLAND in Anaheim, California and Disney World in Orlando, Florida

## The Grand Canyon, Arizona



#### Manhattan, New York



#### Alcatraz, San Francisco, California



## Las Vegas, Nevada



#### Universal Studios, Orlando, Florida



#### Diamond Head, Hawaii



#### The French Quarter, New Orleans, Louisiana



#### The Space Needle, Seattle, Washington (State)



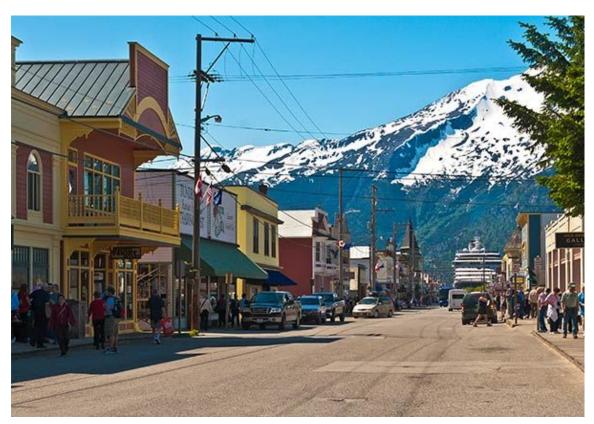
### Washington Monument, Washington, DC



### Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming



### Skagway, Alaska



#### Popular sports in the United States



Baseball



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American Football



**Basketball** 



**Ice Hockey** 

#### Holidays in the United States



St. Patrick's Day - March 17th









Martin Luther King Jr. Day -January 20th

Christmas and New Year's



#### Memorial Day - May 25th



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Independence Day - July 4th



Thanksgiving - November 26th



Labor Day - September 7th



Veterans Day - November 11th

#### Wildlife in the United States





Alligator



Rattlesnake





Bison

**Bald Eagle** 

**Bobcat** 

Mountain Goat

#### Famous American Food













## Some other food that isn't fast food



Chicago deep dish pizza



New England clam chowder



New York bagels



Biscuits and sausage gravy



Texas barbecue



Apple pie

#### Typical clothing in the United States





CLOTHES TO LEAVE AT HOME



### Some famous American actors











