

US CITIES WASHINGTON, D.C.

is one of America's **most visited** cities. It is the **seat [sít] (=sídlu) of the federal government [gavrnent] (=vláda)**, the **Court [kórt] (=soud) and the President of the United States**. There are **memorials to important presidents** and events in American history, superb museums and many other things to see. **Most of the sites are located on the National Mall**, an area called **the Mall**.

The Washington Monument was **built to honor [anr] the country's first president**, George Washington. This **170 m tall obelisk is the world's tallest stone structure**. The monument is constructed from 36,000 blocks of stones (marble and granite). It is visible from almost all over the city and has become one of America's symbols.



The Washington National Cathedral took 83 years to finish. It is **the 6th largest cathedrale** in the world.

The Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C. is dedicated to the third president, Thomas Jefferson, **one of the authors of the Declaration of Independence**. The place became a popular **bathing area**.



The Lincoln Memorial honors [anrs] Abraham Lincoln who **abolished slavery** and **was assassinated [esesinejtyd] (=zavražděn)** while watching a play at the theatre.

The White House is **the symbol of the American presidency and the official residence and workplace of the President of the United States**. It was built between 1792 and 1800 and **was not always white**. After the British burned the building in the War of 1812, it was restored and painted its present color.



The Capitol is the political center of the US government, where the Senate and House of Representatives meet to make the country's laws



NEW YORK

The **"city that never sleeps"** is one of the most exciting, **cosmopolitan** cities in the US. More than **8 million people** live there, it's **one of the largest cities in the country**.



The Statue of Liberty is one of the main symbols of the USA.

The city is **made up of 5 boroughs[borous]/ areas – Manhattan, The Bronx, Staten Island, Brooklyn, and Queens**.

Carnegie Hall is a **concert venue in Manhattan** known not only for its beauty and history, but also for its artistic programming. **About 100 concerts usually classical, but sometimes popular music, are performed there each year**, some of the most famous bands there were the Beatles or the Rolling Stones. Czech musicians who had concerts there were e.g. Helena Vondráčková, K.Gott, Pavel Šporcl, Dagmar Pecková or Štěpán Margita.

Many tourists also like to visit **Central Park, the theatre district on Broadway, or Ellis Island**, where millions of immigrants entered the New World.



LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles is a city in **CALIFORNIA**, it has **more than 4 million people**, with many residents **from Latin America and Asia**. The name „Los Angeles“ **comes from Spanish**, it means „**the Angeles**“ People call it with the initials L.A.

People like to see **L.A.** because of **Hollywood**, where films are made, but there are lots of other interesting things to see.



Walk of fame is a sidewalk in front of the **Mann's Chinese Theater, the world's greatest cinema**. It's famous for the autographs of wellknown **movie stars written in cement** in the theater's courtyard.

SAN FRANCISCO

in California, it is known for its **steep hills [stýp] (=příkry)**, historic cable cars and **foggy days**.



On a clear day you can see **Golden Gate Bridge – a suspension bridge [s-spenšn] (=zavěšený)** that marks the beginning of **San Francisco Bay**. When it was built in 1937, it was **the largest suspension bridge in the US**. More than 100,000 cars cross the bridge every day.

You can see it in all the US catastrophic films, where it breaks in the middle. ☺

In San Francisco Bay, you can take **a ferry ride to visit Alcatraz Island**. Visitors can see the **old prison [prizn] (=vězení)**, military ruins and the lighthouse (=maják).



TEXAS has lots of cities.

HOUSTON is home to **NASA's Space Center** and the largest fine arts museum in the Southwest.

DALLAS was known for its **real-life cowboys, or ranchers**. Now is famous for the Dallas Cowboys who play American football. **The Sixth Floor Museum, dedicated to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy**.

SAN ANTONIO is probably **one of Texas' prettiest cities**.

MIAMI, ATLANTA and **NEW ORLEANS** are probably the three **most well-known cities in the American South**. **NEW ORLEANS** is synonymous with **jazz music**. **MIAMI** is famous for its **parties, beaches, and Cuban food** because there are many immigrants from Cuba. **ATLANTA** is the largest city in the South and has unique attractions, such as a **museum dedicated to Coca Cola**.

The state of Tennessee is known for its **country music**, particularly in cities like **NASHVILLE** and **MEMPHIS**, where **Elvis Presley** grew up, or **LAS VEGAS** (just Vegas) known for its entertainment for the adults & nightlife. <3A|j