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Given to the US by the French, the Statue of Liberty stands on Liberty Island in New York Harbour.

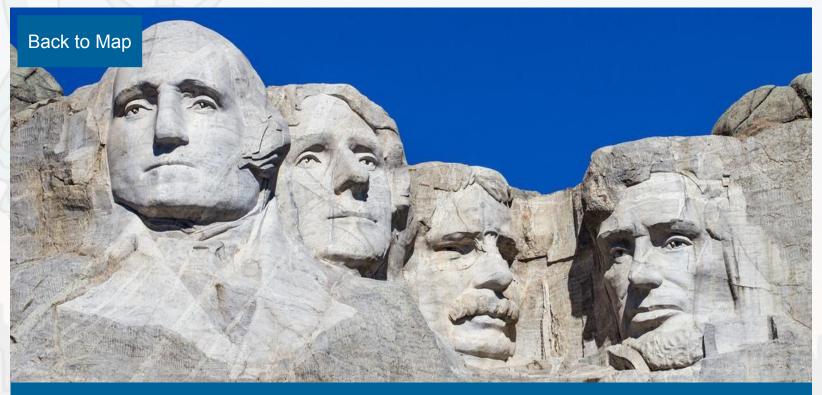
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# Denali



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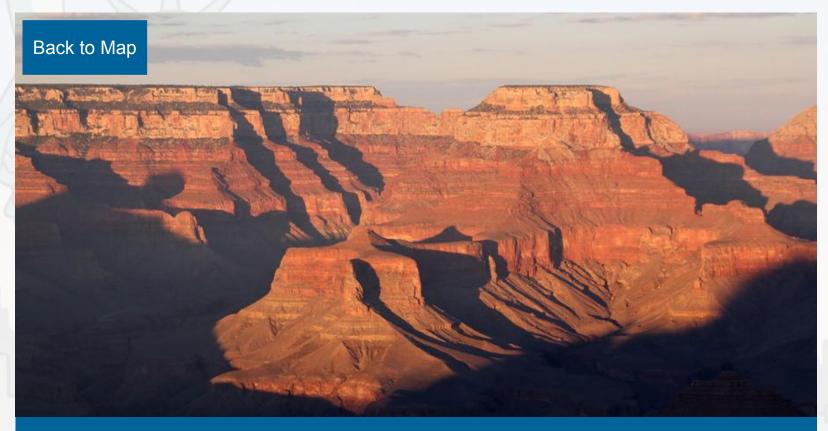
## Mount Rushmore



A massive sculpture built in 1941 of four of America's most influential presidents: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln.

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The Grand Canyon is nearly 300 miles in length. It is not the deepest canyon in the world but has a depth of around 1800 metres.

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## The White House



This is the official residence of the American president.

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The American flag is made up of 50 stars and 13 horizontal stripes. The red and blue are very specific shades called 'Old Glory red' and 'Old Glory blue'.

The stars represent each American state and the stripes represent

the 13 British colonies that declared independence from Great Britain.



#### Name of Country: United States of America

Population: 325 million

Capital City: Washington DC

Official Language: English

Major Religions:
Christianity
Judaism
Islam
Buddhism



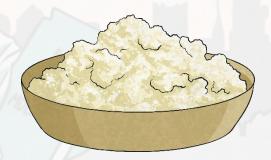
## Food

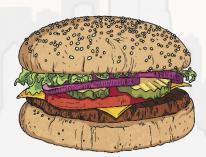
American cuisine is very diverse and a mixture of a lot of different cultures.

It is famous for things like pumpkin pie, clam chowder and burgers.

Food varies in every American region.









## School

Education in America is slightly different in each state.

The compulsory school age is also different in each state and can start from 5-8 through to 14-18.

Free education is provided as well as private.

American school life is not so different to that of most developed countries.





# Independence Day

Independence Day is celebrated in America on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July every year. This celebration marks the day that America declared independence from

British rule back in 1776.

It is a national holiday with schools closing and many people being given the day off work.

Americans celebrate the day by getting together with family, eating lots of food, watching massive parades and enjoying fireworks displays.





# Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November each year.

It was first celebrated by the Pilgrims who arrived in the New World to mark their first successful harvest.

They invited the Native Americans to join in a feast in 1621

and this became the first Thanksgiving.

Traditional food enjoyed by millions of Americans on Thanksgiving includes turkey, yams (sweet potato), stuffing and pumpkin pie for dessert.

Since the 1940s, the President of the United States hands out a pardon for one turkey each year! The pardoned turkey is never to be eaten and is allowed to live out its natural life.

