

Key Facts

Continent North America

Population Approximately 328 million

Capital City Washington, D.C.

Largest City Jacksonville

Official Language English

Main Religions Christianity

Famous Landmarks Statue of Liberty (New York), Mount Rushmore (Keystone), the Whitehouse (Washington, D.C), Washington Monument (Washington, D.C) and the Golden Gate bridge (San Francisco).

Climate Being a huge country, the contiguous United States is home to a wide variety of climates. However, in general it has a **continental climate**, with cold winters (often frigid) and hot summers (sometimes very hot).

Traditional Food This varies in each country, however some of the most famous foods include the ham burger, deep dish pizza and apple pie.

Sport The well known sport of America is Basketball. Other sports include baseball, ice hockey and soccer.

USA Flag



The 50 stars on the **flag** represent the 50 states of the **United States** of America, and the 13 stripes represent the thirteen British colonies that declared independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain, and became the first states in the U.S.

Olympic Games

The USA has hosted the Olympic games on more than 4 occasion, including the Winter and Summer games. The Summer games have been held in 1904 (Missouri), 1932 (California), 1984 (California) and 1996 (Atlanta).

Ancient America

Ancient America was home to sophisticated civilizations such as the Maya, Inca, Olmec and Aztec societies, and mysterious ruins like Chichen Itza, Teotihuacan, Serpent Mound, Tikal, Machu Picchu and the Nazca Lines.



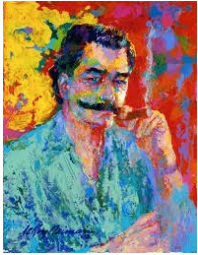
Map of USA



American Landmarks



LeRoy Neiman



LeRoy Neiman spent decades painting Olympians as the Games' official artist. He is an American artist known for his brightly coloured, expressionist paintings and screen-prints of athletics, musicians and sporting events.



American Food



Glossary

Region-an area, especially part of a country or the world having definable characteristics but not always fixed boundaries.

Landmark-an object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognized from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location.

Tricolour-a flag with three bands or blocks of different colours.

Olympics Games-an ancient festival held every fourth year and made up of contests of sports.

Rural-in, relating to, or characteristic of the countryside rather than the town.

Urban-in, relating to, or characteristic of a town or city.

Mediterranean-the Mediterranean Sea or the countries bordering it.

Empire-an extensive group of states or countries ruled over by a single monarch, an oligarchy, or a sovereign state.

Invasion-an instance of invading a country or region with an armed force.

Olympic Stadiums

