

THE USA

The United States of America is the fourth largest country in the world. It is located in North America, and borders with Canada in the north and Mexico in the south. In the west it is bordered by the Pacific Ocean and in the east by the Atlantic Ocean.

When the USA became an independent country, there were only 13 states. Nowadays, there are 50 states and they make one nation. Alaska and Hawaii are the only states not connected to the mainland.

Alaska was bought from Russia in 1744, and it is the largest US state with a lot of natural resources: gold, coal, natural gas and oil. Hawaii is a popular holiday destination.

Look at the map below and find the names of the US states in the grid. How many can you find?

The word 'America' comes from the name of an Italian explorer, Amerigo Vespucci.



Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

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