



THE BIG APPLE

Its 1. ____ most famous city in the world. There are songs about it. It's in hundreds of films and TV programmes. Think of 2. ____ America and you think of „The Big Apple“ – New York

3. ____ centre of New York is 4. ____ island of 5. ____ Manhattan. Today the island is full of skyscrapers, but 400 years ago it was the home of the Delaware Indians. 6. ____ first Europeans to arrive were from the Netherlands. In 1626, 7. ____ Dutchman, Peter Minuit, bought the island from the Indians for just 24 dollars and built some houses there. He called it 8. ____ New Amsterdam. However, in 1664, the British took it and they called it New York, because the King's brother was the Duke of York.

Over the next 300 years, New York grew into 9. ____ largest city in 10. ____ USA. People from countries like Germany, Ireland, Italy, Poland and China came to find a new life there. There are countless things to do and places to go in New York – museums, art galleries, theatres and nightclubs, plus thousands of restaurants and shops, including 11. ____ biggest shop in 12. ____ world, Macy's.

13. ____ Statue of Liberty was 14. ____ gift from the people of France and it stands on Liberty Island. You can get 15. ____ ferry to 16. ____ island and visit 17. ____ statue.

18. ____ Empire State Building is 19. ____ most famous skyscraper in New York. It was built in 1931, and it was the tallest building in the world for forty years. It has 102 floors, and on a clear day you can see 120 km from 20. ____ top.

21. ____ Times Square is the entertainment centre of New York. It is full of theatres, bars and restaurants. On New Year's Eve, New Yorkers come to 22. ____ Times Square to celebrate the New Year.

In 23. ____ middle of Manhattan is 24. ____ Central Park. Here you can walk, take a boat on the lake, play baseball or just relax away.