

THE AMERICAN CULTURE

1. Women gained the right to vote in: 1920 / 1890 / 1945
2. March on Washington was led in.....by.....: 1954, Malcolm X / 1963, Martin Luther King / 1970, Elvis Presley
3. Washington has been the capital of USA capital since: 1790 / 1776 / 1864
4. Martin Luther King was assassinated inin.....: 1965, Boston / 1975, Reno / 1968, Memphis
5. The acronym made from Kennedy's full name is: LBJ / JFK / JRK
6. Kennedy was killed by the assassin in: 1963 / 1966 / 1968
7. The Mexican Americans are called: chicanos / chiquitas / cheetos
8. (a) Which of these ARE NOT parts of the American parliament (the Congres):
The House of Representatives _____
The Senate _____
The House of Commons _____
Seym _____
(b) **100 & 435** – are the numbers of members of the parts of the Congress – write the numbers above next to appropriate parts of the Congress
9. The Capitol is the name of: the Congress building / the president's house / of the national library
10. Which president was involved in the political scandal in 1974? : Richard Nixon / Lyndon Johnson / Ronald Reagan
11. The American president Franklin Delano Roosevelt received a Nobel Prize in: 1906 / 1921 / 1940
12. George W. Bush is the president of USA: 56th / 48th / 43rd
13. Write names of the two American politicxal parties: (1)..... (2).....
14. in USA you are allowed to buy alcohol only when you are over: 21 / 18 / 16
15. What is the full name for FBI: F.....B.....(of) I.....
16. Religious freedom introduced by ammendment to the Constitution in: 1791 / 1850 / 1902
17. The community of the Mormons was edtblished by: Arthur Cobb / Joseph Smith / Martin Luther King
18. Who are the televangelists:
19. D-day, the name for the date of the landing of the US troops in Europe during WWII was in: September 1940 / July 1945 / June 1945
20. Pearl Harbour was attacked by the.....in.....: Japanese, 1941 / Germans, 1940 / Italians, 1943
21. The last soldier left Vietnam after the war in: 1970 / 1974 / 1975
22. The highest banknote denomination is: \$100 / \$200 / \$50
23. *Plastic* is another name given in USA to: a credit card / women's artificial breast / stiff and unsociable person
24. The Great Depression which caused the collapse of the whole world's economy started in: October 1929 / March 1932 / May 1957
25. The street in NY on which the famous financial centre of USA is placed is: the High Strret / Wall Street / Beverly Hills
26. The first name of New York was: New Amsterdam / New Berlin / New Madrid

27. Which of the companies below is connected with **trains** and which is connected with **coaches**, write the means of transport next to the names:
Amtrak –..... Greyhound –
28. Which city is a cradle of blues? : New York / New Jersey / New Orleans
29. The headquarters of NASA are located in: Pasadena / Houston / Portland
30. chuck wagon is a type of: a restaurant / a cinema / a supermarket
31. Which words ARE NOT American words: colour / elevator / cookie / fuel / luggage / subway / flavor
32. link the days and the holidays:
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| a. President's Day | 1. November 11 |
| b. Memorial Day | 2. fourth Monday in November |
| c. Columbus Day | 3. third Monday in January |
| d. Thanksgiving | 4. last Monday in May |
| e. Halloween | 5. third Monday in February |
| f. Veteran's Day | 6. second Monday in October |
| g. Labor Day | 7. first Monday in September |
| h. Martin Luther's Birthday | 8. October 30 |
33. Shrove Tuesday is: the end of carnival / the beginning of carnival
34. Order the names for students in American high schools: freshman / junior / senior / sophomore
(9th grade) - (10th grade) -
(11th grade) - (12th grade) -
35. The name for the official ball for students graduating from a college is called: a prom / the last ball / night of youth
36. Youth organisation (in Poland members of the ZHP) are: scouts / rookies / cadets
37. Dutch treat during the date means: each person pays for themselves / the girl pays for the boy / a girl kisses the boy for 'good night'
38. The first steamboat (constructed by **Robert Fulton**) made the first cruise in: 1845 / 1807 / 1795
39. Challenger and Coulmbia were destroyed in catastrophes in.....: 1988,2000 / 1986, 2002 / 1990,2002
40. The first person to set a foot on the.....was.....in.....; Moon, Armstrong , 20 July 1969 / Mars, Kendall, 12 December 1975 / Moon, Aldrin, 12 June 1961
41. The spaceship which carried the first people on the moon was: Apollo 10 / Apollo 11 / Apollo 13
42. Bell invented: the telephone / the cotton gin / the radio
43. The light bulb was invented by.....in.....: Edison, 1879 / Bell, 1900 / Kazan 1895
44. The Wright brothers made the first successful flight in: 1903 / 1908 / 1916
45. The term Star Wars as a military program was introduced by the president: Reagan / Nixon / Bush
46. Which of these are sports leagues for: **ice hockey, basketball, american football?**
NFL - NBA - NHL -
47. The famous Gold Rush, people moving westwards in search for gold, took place in: 1849 / 1830 / 1875
48. The Sunset Boulevard (with stars in the pavement) is in: New York / Los Angeles / Chicago
49. "**R**" marked movies are for: adults only / children / people over 18 with parents' guidance
50. The Woodstock Festival took place in: 1968 / 1969 / 1970

51. Which of the names are connected with New York? : Carnegie Hall / Twin Towers / Madison Square Garden / Broadway / Metropolitan Opera / Yankees
52. The Statue of Liberty, a gift from the French nation, was brought to NYC in: 1876 / 1900 / 1905
53. Which state is called the Pine Tree State? : Maine / California / Alaska
54. The oldest in USA, Harvard University, is in: Boston, Massachusetts / Washington, D.C. / Chicago, Illinois
55. The Boston Tea Party, an act of the colonists' resistance, took place in: 1775 / 1840 / 1862
56. The Rocky Mountains The Appalachians – write WEST and EAST for their location
57. From the groups of words, choose suitable to “place” them on the map of USA:
slavery / The Great Lakes / The Disney World / film industry / Long Island / Cape Canaveral / Big Apple / Golden Gate
58. Death Valley is famous for.....
59. A state famous for production of oranges is: California / South Virginia / Florida
60. **Yosemite** is a national park – there are generallynational parks in USA: 53 / 42 / 38
61. The first in the world covered stadium with artificial grass was in: New York / Houston / Philadelphia
62. There are 5 Great Lakes: which one from the list DOES NOT belong to them? (cross it out) : Superior / Michigan / State / Erie / Huron / Ontario
63. The Niagara Falls are on the boarder with: Mexico / Canada / Cuba
64. authors and their books
65. The **Windy City** is: Detroit / Chicago / Cleveland
66. **General Motors, Chrysler and Ford** – the greatest motor companies are situated in: Detroit / Salt Lake City / Sacramento
67. **Motown sound** which specialises in black music has its seat in: Detroit / New Orleans / Chicago
68. Mt Kinley is the tallest mountain, and its altitude is: 6319 / 4524 / 2556
69. There are.....states: 51 / 50 / 52
70. Ellis Island – famous for the immigration office is in: Los Angeles / Boston / New York
71. The plan to help Europe after World War II was proposed by: Marshall / McKenzie / Scott
72. Music stars: match the star with the type of music they write (wrote) or perform (ed):

Jazz	George Gershwin
Blues	Nirvana
Country	Dolly Parton
Grunge	Miles Davis
Musical	John Cage
Classical	Michael Jackson
Pop	B.B.King
73. Harlem is a famous district of.....inhabited by the.....: New York, Blacks / Los Angeles, Blacks / Miami, Jews
74. Which of the authors ARE (WERE) NOT of American origin? (cross them out): John Steinbeck (Of Mice And People, Grapes of Wrath), Tom Stoppard (a play writer), Sylvia Plath (a poetess), Norman Mailer (The Naked And the Dead, The Executioner's Song), T.S.Elliot (a poet), Jane Austen (Pride And

- Prejudice, Emma), Truman Capote (In Cold Blood) , James Joyce (Ulysses, The Dubliners), Kate Chopin (Awakening), Kurt Vonnegut (Slaughterhouse No.5), Charles Dickens (), Joseph Conrad (Lord Jim), William Borroughs (Junkie), Edgar Allan Poe, Mark Twain (Huckleberry Finn),
75. The pilgrim fathers were one of the major colonists in America; they came in.....on a ship called: 1620, Mayflower / 1558, Santa Maria / 1505, Spinner
 76. The Declaration of Independence took place in: 1750 / 1776 / 1791
 77. The first slaves arrived in America on a Dutch ship in: 1619 / 1719 / 1819
 78. The Civil War lasted in the period: 1863-1866 / 1861-1865 / 1850-1857
 79. **The Oregon Trail** is a name for a massive shift of people from eastern parts westward; half a million people went to west coast; it happened in about: 1800-1840 / 1840 – 1870 / 1870 - 1900
 80. Cowboys (called also ‘wranglers’) were the people who: built railways / looked after cattle / were dangerous criminals
 81. First Academy Awards (Oscars) were given in: 1927 / 1931 / 1933
 82. The legendary **Route 66** goes through.....states, from Chicago to.....: 13, Nevark / 8, LA/ 5, Miami
 83. The name for American national flag is: red and white / starry banner / stars and stripes
 84. The cradle of country music (also called **the blue grass**) is: Atlanta / Nashville / San Francisco
 85. The population of USA now is around: 350, 000 / 290, 000 / 200, 000
 86. The war on Iraq in the 20th century started in: 1990 / 1993 / 1991
 87. The last Olympic Games in USA were held in: Los Angeles / Salt Lake City / Sydney
 88. USA is sometimes called: Uncle Ed / Uncle Sam / Uncle Ted
 89. The biggest group of Polish immigrants resides in the city of: New York / Chicago / Los Angeles
 90. The American discoverer, Christopher Columbus, came from: Spain / Italy / Portugal
 91. Which Polish soldier became American war hero? : Józef Bem / Kazimierz Puławski / Józef Piłsudski
 92. The smallest state, with around 500, 000 people, is: Wyoming / Delaware / Maine
 93. The biggest state, with around 34 million people, is: New York / District Columbia (with the capital Washington) / California
 94. The American constitution is the oldest in the world; it was signed in: 1791 / 1788 / 1727
 95. The state of Washigton can be found: in the east / in the north-west / in the south-west
 96. The biggest settlement of the Mormons is found in: Idaho / Utah / Wyoming
 97. The ex-president Bill Clinton was a.....player: guitar / trumpet / saxophone
 98. Which of the following states is in constant danger of the **earthquakes**? : Florida / California / Arkansas
 99. The best grade in American educational sysytem is: A / B / C
 100. The huge territory of **The Great Plains** is covered with: grass / trees / mountains

The culture of the United States of America is primarily of Western origin, but is influenced by a multicultural ethos that includes African, Native American, Asian, Pacific Island, and Latin American people and their cultures. It also has its own distinct social and cultural characteristics, such as dialect, music, arts, social habits, cuisine, and folklore. The United States is ethnically and racially diverse as a result of large-scale migration throughout its history, and through African-American American culture includes both conservative and liberal elements, military and scientific competitiveness, political structures, risk taking and free expression, materialist and moral elements. Despite certain consistent ideological principles (e.g. individualism, egalitarianism, and faith in freedom and democracy), American culture has a variety of expressions due to its geographical scale and demographic diversity. United States of America. Culture Name. American. Orientation. Identification. The name "America" is often used to refer to the United States, but until the political formation of the United States after the Revolutionary War, this designation referred to South America only. Contemporary use of the term to refer to the United States underlines that country's political and economic dominance in the western hemisphere. Such use of this designation is impolitic from the perspective of Canadians and Latin Americans. Cultural Traits of America. The diversity of America's ethnic groups and cultures has helped shaped the values of the country's people. Some individuals and groups, of course, have a set of respected values that are quite different from those of mainstream America, and their attitudes and behaviors are based on and tend to reflect these values.