

Lesson 6

Тема: THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA . SYNONYMS AND ANTONYMS

Мета: активізація лексики;
опрацювання нової лексики;
вивчення антонімів і синонімів;
розвиток вміння працювати з картою;
розвиток монологічного мовлення;
розвиток вміння декламувати вірші.

Виховна мета: виховувати культуру поведінки в спілкуванні.

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PROCEDURE

I. *Greeting. Introduction*

T. Glad to see you at our lesson today. We are going to get acquainted with one of the largest countries in the world – the USA. It is the last country in our list of English-speaking countries.

II. *Warming up Speaking*

T. Before we start on our new theme let's check your homework.

Ps. Ukraine is one of the largest countries in Eastern Europe. It's territory is about 603,000 sq. km. The population of Ukraine is about 47 mln inhabitants. 72% of them are Ukrainians and Russians represent 22% of the population of Ukraine. The other 6% are Belarusians, Moldavians, Bulgarians, Jews, Poles and others. The largest city of Ukraine is Kyiv its capital. The other big cities are Kharkiv, Donetsk, Dnipropetrovsk and others. The official language in Ukraine is Ukrainian.

III. *The main part*

1.Revision of the words.

2. Checking up the Ex.5, p.125.

3.Pupils name some British cities and show them on the map.

4. Practice the vocabulary (p. 126).

An economy

A range

A source

A tributary

Immense
To embrace
To extend
To flow
To be rich in

5. Look at the map and say where the following places are situated: Washington, New York, Canada, Mexico, the Mississippi, the Missouri, Great Lakes, Alaska, the Hawaii, the Niagara Falls.
6. And now let's read the article and match its seven paragraphs to the topics from a) to g) noted after the text. And as a motto of our lesson I would like to read such verses:

*America, America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.
The Americans love their country, not,
Indeed, as it is, but as it will be*

The United States of America

- (1) *'The United States of America' is a name of a country composed of 50 states joined in a federal republic, and its citizens are known as 'Americans'. In the north the US borders on Canada and in the south it borders on Mexico. It is washed by the Atlantic Ocean in the East and the Pacific Ocean in the west*
- (2) *Hawaii, which became the 50th state in 1959, is situated in the Pacific Ocean halfway between the west-coast states and the Far East.. Alaska is separated from Russia by only about 50 miles across the Bering Strait.*
- (3) *The main part of the US consists of several physical divisions, including highland and lowland regions. Major highlands are the Appalachian Mountains in the east and the Rocky Mountains in the west. The Rocky Mountains extend from Mexico to Canada.*

The mountains are crossed by streams which flow through the deep canyons and fall into the Pacific Ocean. The largest among them are the Colorado and the Columbia Rivers. These rivers are unsuitable for navigation, but they serve as an immense source of electric power. The central lowland between the two main mountains ranges makes up the basin of the Mississippi River. Its main tributaries are the Missouri and the Ohio Rivers. The Mississippi together with the Missouri form the longest river in the world (7,300 km).

The northern part of the USA embraces the region of the five Great lakes (Lake superior, lake Huron, Lake Michigan, Lake Ontario and Lake Erie), which are connected by natural channels cut by rapids. The greatest of this rapid is the Niagara Falls.

- (4) Crossed by mountain ranges from north to south, the country is unprotected from cold winds from the north and from warm winds from the south. This causes great temperature fluctuations. On the whole, the USA has a continental climate.*
- (5) The country is rich in coal, iron, oil and minerals, which form a solid base for the development of the American industry. The United States economy is highly developed. In fact, the USA is one of the leading countries in the world economy.*
- (6) The people of the USA are a mixture of many different nationalities. The United States is often called a big melting pot of countries. In melting pot, different metals are melted to make a new one. The USA is like a melting pot for people. In the past people from different European countries came to the US and made one country out of many. In one city you can find people whose parents and great-grandparents came from China, Africa, South America, Southeast Asia and many European countries. These different people brought a wonderful mixture of customs and traditions to their new land. The German brought Christmas trees, the Irish – St. Patrick's Day celebrations, the Scots – Halloween.*
- (7) The red-white- and-blue flag of the United States as known as 'The old Glory' or the 'Stars and Stripes'. Red stands for courage, white for purity and blue for justice. 13 stripes represent the first original colonies, which were unite into one country. The stars in the flag, white on the deep-blue background, represent the number of states making up the United States of America. Today it has 50 stars, one for each state, and 13 stripes, one for each of the original states. Everyone can be greatly surprised by the fact how Americans honour and treat their flag. In American schools the day begins with the ceremony of raising the flag.*

- a) The landscape*
- b) The flag*
- c) The geographical position*
- d) The mineral resources*
- e) The smallest and the biggest states*
- f) The climate*
- g) The people*

7. Pupils do Ex.3, p.129 in a written way.

8. Pupils write synonyms and antonyms Ex.4, p. 129.

9. Activity 1

Say if the statements are true or false

- 1) Hawaii is the smallest state of the USA.
- 2) The Colorado and the Columbia Rivers flow through the Rocky Mountains.
- 3) There are five lakes in the north of the US.
- 4) The people of the USA are known as British.
- 5) "Stars and Stripes" is another name for the national flag.
- 6) There were 13 original states which gave birth to the USA.
- 7) The United States is often called 'a big melting pot'.
- 8) The longest river in the world is the Mississippi.
- 9) The USA borders on Canada and Russia.
- 10) There are 51 states in the US now.

10. Activity 2

Using the information from the text and the map name :

- the largest rivers of the USA;
- the largest lakes of the country;
- the largest mountains in the country;
- the states of the USA you know.

- P1.** The largest rivers of the US are the Mississippi, the Colorado, the Columbia.
- P2.** There are five lakes in the north of the country that make up Great Lakes. They are Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Lake Huron, Lake Erie and Lake Ontario.
- P3.** Major highlands of the country are the Appalachians and the Rocky Mountains.
- P4.** I know such states in the US as Hawaii, the smallest state, Alaska, which is separated from the main part of the country, Texas, the largest state, California, Florida, Kansas, Missouri and others.

IV. Summing up

Writing

T. Dear children, you have done a great work at the lesson. You were very active today. Your last task is to fill in the table with proper words using the information from the text

Official name	The USA
	50 states
Capital	
Bordering countries	
	Mississippi
	Hawaii
National flag	
Climate	
Big cities	

Homework

to learn a poem (Ex.6, p.130) .

Ex.8, p. 130 – to write