

USA




























ESCAPE ROOM LANGUAGE STATIONS

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AMERICAN SIGHTS

Cut out the rectangles and cut them in half after laminating them, the aim of this activity is to scan the QR code that will reveal a photo of a famous American sight and match it with its name. If they match everything correctly, they will get the password.

	1.	D	GRAND CANYON
	2.	E	MANHATTAN
	3.	C	YELLOWSTONE
	4.	L	GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE
	5.	A	NIAGARA FALLS
	6.	R	KILAUEA
	7.	A	FLORIDA KEYS
	8.	T	LAS VEGAS STRIP
	9.	I	DENALI NATIONAL PARK
	10.	O	WHITE HOUSE
	11.	N	YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK
	12.	O	WALT DISNEY WORLD
	13.	F	SEDONA RED ROCK COUNTRY
	14.	I	FRENCH QUARTER

	15.	N	BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK
	16.	D	CARLSBAD CAVERNS
	17.	E	RIVER WALK
	18.	P	GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK
	19.	E	NAVY PIER
	20.	N	KENNEDY SPACE CENTER
	21.	D	FANEUIL HALL
	22.	E	MESA VERDE
	23.	N	VENICE BEACH
	24.	G	PIKE PLACE MARKET
	25.	E	MOUNT RUSHMORE

PASSWORD: DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

GRAMMAR CLIPS

Cut out the strips. You will need clothes clips. Students use the clips to mark two wrong answers, the correct answer will remain visible together with a letter of the password.

1.	While I _ New York, I _ Donald Trump.	was visiting/met	A
2.	Patrice _ to visit New York.	has always wanted	M
3.	I think dad _ the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.	will love	E
4.	Kate and John _ to Hollywood in L.A. for their honeymoon.	are flying	R
5.	First, I _ to Broadway and then I _ to see the Statue of Liberty.	went/decided	I

6.	We _ tickets to Chicago yesterday. We want to see Navy Pier in Chicago.	bought	C
7.	Great Smoky Mountains National Park _ really interesting.	seems	A
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9.	In the Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado there are houses which _ from the caves.	are carved	S
10.	I _ thousands of dollars in one of the casinos in Las Vegas recently.	have lost	A
11.	Since Karen was a little girl she _ her pocket money for a trip to Yellowstone.	has been saving	N
12.	How about _ to Walt Disney World in Orlando.	going	O
13.	George Washington _ the first president of the United States.	became	T
14.	Daniel _ to Florida Keys several times with his numerous girlfriends.	has been	H
15.	The action of Coming to America with Eddie Murphy _ place in Queens.	takes	E
16.	Perhaps we _ our next holidays on Venice Beach in Los Angeles.	will spend	R
17.	If I _ the lottery, I _ to Hollywood.	won/would fly	N
18.	_ you _ this book about the USA for the competition?	Are _ reading	A
19.	The Mayflower pilgrims _ from Plymouth to the New World.	sailed	M
20.	The founding fathers _ the Declaration of Independence in 1776.	signed	E
21.	The United States Congress _ of two chambers: the House of Representatives and the Senate.	consists	F
22.	FBI (the Federal Bureau of Investigation) _ many dangerous criminals.	has arrested	O
23.	CIA (the Central Intelligence Agency) _ me as a spy several years ago.	recruited	R
24.	The 91. Academy Awards ceremony _ at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood.	was held	O
25.	John J. B. Wilson _ the Golden Raspberry Awards (the Razzies).	founded	P
26.	I _ in the Shuttle Launch Experience at the Kennedy Space Center last summer.	participated	P
27.	The Statue of Liberty _ to the United States by the French in 1886.	was given	O
28.	Steven Spielberg _ over thirty films.	has directed	R
29.	The New York Stock Exchange _ on Wall Street.	is located	T

30.	The United States Capitol _ host to major events.	has played	U
31.	I _ for the job in the Pentagon, the headquarters of the United States Department of Defense next week.	am applying	N
32.	People believe that Area 51 _ the remains of the UFO.	hides	I
33.	While I _ across the States, I _ some lovely souvenirs.	was travelling/bought	T
34.	Kate is thinking of _ to Hollywood to look for a job in the film industry.	going	Y

PASSOWRD: AMERICA IS ANOTHER NAME FOR OPPORTUNITY

AMERICAN CELEBRATIONS

In this activity students have to match the celebration with its description.

1.	CHRISTMAS	It's a Christian festival celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ.	I
2.	COLOMBUS DAY	This festival celebrates the discovery of America.	N
3.	THANKSGIVING	This festival celebrates the first harvest in the New World.	G
4.	HALLOWEEN	Doring this festival people dress up and organise parties, children collect sweets.	O
5.	VETERANS DAY	This festival is celebrated on the 11 th of November to honour soldiers who served for the United States.	D
6.	ST. VALENTINE'S DAY	It's a festival of love and friendship.	W
7.	EASTER	Doring this festival people roll eggs down the hill and eat lots of chocolate.	E
8.	INDEPENDENCE DAY	It's on the 4th of Joly to celebrate breaking free from England.	T
9.	LABOR DAY	It's an annual holiday to celebrate achievements of workers.	R
10.	MEMORIAL DAY	This holiday commemorates people who died on duty.	O
11.	NEW YEAR'S EVE	It celebrates the end of the old and coming of the new.	S

12.	MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY	It commemorates the birthday of a Noble Prize winner known for civil rights movement.	T
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PASSWORD: IN GOD WE TRUST

NEW YORK – VIDEO ACTIVITY

In this task students have to scan the code and watch the video hidden in it. While watching they have to find answers to the questions.

- Where is New York located? In the NORTH-EAST REGION of the United States.
- How many people live there? Over EIGHT MILLION PEOPLE
- How is New York called? The BIG APPLE
- Where did the emigrants arrive in New York? ELLIS ISLAND
- How can tourists explore the city? BY FOOT, TAXI or SUBWAY
- What is said about New York? It's the CITY THAT NEVER SLEEPS
- Where is the Empire State Building located? In MANHATTAN
- From which floor can you admire the city? The ONE HUNDRED SECOND floor
- Where is the place of inspiration and creativity? In the ROCKEFELLER CENTER
- Where do people greet each other and say their farewells? In GRAND CENTRAL TERMINAL
- What is the most visited place on the planet. The TIME SQUARE
- Where can you see shows at half-price? On BROADWAY
- What is the best chill-out place in NY? The CENTRAL PARK
- Where can you admire one of the greatest works of art? At the METROPOLITAN MUSEUM of Art
- Where can you admire works of art from the 20th and 21st century? At the GUGGENHEIM Museum New York
- What is the post-World Trade Centre place called? The REFLECTIVE ABSENCE
- Where did Bob Dylan first performed? In GREENWICH VILLAGE
- What monument is seen at the end of the movie? The STATUE OF LIBERTY



PASSWORD: AMERICA, TO ME, IS FREEDOM

AMERICAN VS BRITISH ENGLISH

In this task students have to scan the code and match the code with the picture and the English version of the word to get the password.

<i>taxi</i>	1.	A	<i>cab</i>
<i>lift</i>	2.	M	<i>elevator</i>
<i>petrol</i>	3.	E	<i>gas</i>
<i>chips</i>	4.	R	<i>French fries</i>
<i>crisps</i>	5.	I	<i>chips</i>

<i>underground</i>	6.	C	<i>subway</i>
<i>flat</i>	7.	A	<i>apartment</i>
<i>tin</i>	8.	N	<i>can</i>
<i>sweet</i>	9.	V	<i>candy</i>
<i>wardrobe</i>	10.	E	<i>closet</i>

<i>biscuit</i>	11.	R	<i>cookie</i>
<i>nappy</i>	12.	S	<i>diaper</i>
<i>curtains</i>	13.	U	<i>drapes</i>
<i>rubber</i>	14.	S	<i>eraser</i>
<i>tap</i>	15.	B	<i>faucet</i>
<i>torch</i>	16.	R	<i>flashlight</i>
<i>rubbish</i>	17.	I	<i>garbage</i>
<i>motorway</i>	18.	T	<i>highway</i>
<i>queue</i>	19.	I	<i>line</i>

<i>post</i>	20.	S	<i>mail</i>
<i>film</i>	21.	H	<i>movie</i>
<i>trousers</i>	22.	E	<i>pants</i>
<i>pavement</i>	23.	N	<i>sidewalk</i>
<i>trainers</i>	24.	G	<i>sneakers</i>
<i>football</i>	25.	L	<i>soccer</i>
<i>cooker</i>	26.	I	<i>stove</i>
<i>truck</i>	27.	S	<i>lorry</i>
<i>autumn</i>	28.	H	<i>fall</i>

PASSWORD: AMERICAN VERSUS BRITISH ENGLISH

DOMINO HALVES

The task is to match the name of the place with its description to get the password.

KEY:

1. Times Square - many New Yorkers flock here to celebrate the New Year's Eve
2. Hollywood Walk of Fame - you can find here brass stars bearing the names of famous actors and film directors
3. Brooklyn Bridge - a steel-wire suspension bridge located in New York
4. Waikiki - a suburb of Honolulu known for the beautiful golden sand beach
5. Kilauea - an active shield volcano in the Hawaiian Islands
6. Florida Keys - a coral cay archipelago located off the southern coast of Florida
7. Las Vegas - a large city in the USA known for its gambling and nightlife
8. Denali National Park - national park located in Interior Alaska
9. White House - the official residence and workplace of the President of the United States
10. Yosemite National Park - an American national park located in California famous for its granite cliffs, waterfalls, clear streams and giant sequoia groves
11. Mount Rushmore - a mountain in South Dakota featuring huge sculptures of four American Presidents
12. Faneuil Hall - a meeting hall and marketplace in Boston, referred to as the Cradle of Liberty
13. Grand Canyon - a large valley with very steep sides carved by the Colorado River
14. Manhattan - the most densely populated of the five boroughs of New York City
15. Yellowstone - the first national park in the U.S, located in Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho
16. Golden Gate - a one-mile-wide strait connecting San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Ocean
17. Niagara Falls - three waterfalls between the Canadian province of Ontario and the US state of New York
18. The Statue of Liberty - a gift to the United States from the people of France
19. Alcatraz Island - it served as a federal prison from 1934 through 1963

20. Graceland - Elvis Presley's former estate
21. The French Quarter - the oldest neighbourhood in New Orleans
22. Hearst Castle - a residence designed by architect Julia Morgan for a newspaper magnate
23. Orlando - you can visit three famous theme parks here: Walt Disney World Resort, Universal Studios, and SeaWorld

PASSWORD: WASHINGTON NEVER TOLD A LIE

MY AMERICAN GIRLFRIEND

Students have to read the text and choose the correct option a, b or c. Colour ONLY these squares in the QR code if their number corresponds to the questions where **a** is the correct answer.

You might already know that my American girlfriend Karen invited me to visit her in New York. I was so excited as it had always been my dream to visit The 1. **Big** Apple. I come from a small town and was at first overwhelmed by the size of the city, but I got used to it after a few days. What turned 2. **out** to be the biggest and the least anticipated problem for me was the language. I once read somewhere that England and America are two countries separated by a common language. I was able to experience it when I was in 3. **the** States. I did not realize that British and American words can have so different and confusing meanings. 4. **On** the very first day I managed to say more embarrassing things than I had in my entire life. The worst was probably when I told her I left my umbrella in the boot. She nearly broke up with me thinking I had gone crazy. The part of the car I called the boot was the trunk for her. Another funny situation happened when she asked if I could tell her if her pants 5. **suit**ed her. I didn't know that pants are simply 6. **trousers** in American English not underwear and felt a bit disappointed. Once Karen asked me to buy some chips. I came back with a whole bucket from KFC but she was surprised as she meant crisps. What the British know as chips the Americans call 7. **french** fries. How confusing! One day we were looking for some old photos in the attic, as we could hardly see 8. **anything** I asked her if she could bring a torch. She had no idea what I meant and explained it's not safe to use open fire in 9. **wooden** houses. Again a misunderstanding. Americans use the word flashlight when they talk about a torch. I must say it was an interesting experience. I decided to start watching American films (or 10. **movies** as Karen would say) to pick up more American English words and avoid embarrassment next time I visit America.

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|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1. a) Big | b) Mini | c) Rotten |
| 2. a) in | b) out | c) up |
| 3. a) a | b) - | c) the |
| 4. a) On | b) At | c) In |
| 5. a) suit ed | b) matched | c) fitted |
| 6. a) knickers | b) trousers | c) tights |
| 7. a) french | b) fried | c) Belgian |
| 8. a) something | b) nothing | c) anything |
| 9. a) wooden | b) wood | c) woody |
| 10. a) moves | b) movies | c) pictures |



Auszumalen sind: 1. 4. 5. 7. 9
NICHT auszumalen sind: 2. 3. 6. 8

PASSWORD: CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE

FAMOUS AMERICANS

A standard domino activity, to get the password, students have to match famous Americans to their accomplishments.

1. Benjamin Franklin - he invented the lightning rod
2. George Washington - the first president of the United States

3. Thomas Jefferson - one of the authors of The Declaration of Independence
4. Abraham Lincoln - he was the American President who abolished slavery
5. Emily Dickinson - one of America's greatest female poets
6. Thomas Edison - an inventor who developed light bulbs
7. Henry Ford - used assembly line for making cars
8. Wright Brothers - they built the world's first successful plane
9. Franklin D. Roosevelt - the president of the USA during the Great Depression
10. Amelia Earhart - the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic
11. Al Capone - American gangster who rose to fame during the prohibition era
12. Ernest Hemingway - American writer, he wrote 'For Whom the Bell Tolls'
13. Alfred Hitchcock - film director, producing films, such as Psycho, Rear Window and Birds
14. Walt Disney - creator of cartoon characters such as Mickey Mouse
15. Billie Holiday - jazz and blues singer nicknamed 'Lady Day'
16. Marilyn Monroe - American actress, died in 1962 from a drugs overdose
17. Martin Luther King - American civil rights campaigner, the famous "I Have a Dream Speech"
18. Neil Armstrong - first man to land and walk on the moon
19. Elvis Presley - American pop singer, an idol for millions in the 1950s
20. Steven Spielberg - he directed Schindler's List
21. Bill Gates - American businessman, founder of Microsoft
22. Barack Obama - the first black President
23. William Faulkner - The Nobel Prize-winning novelist, he wrote The Sound and the Fury
24. Francis Scott Fitzgerald - wrote novels including The Great Gatsby
25. Jack London - wrote The Call of the Wild, and White Fang

PASSWORD: THE STARS AND STRIPES FOREVER

PASSWORD ANSWER SHEET

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FAMOUS AMERICANS


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		visited/met	I


2. 	Patrice _ to visit New York.	always wants	N
		has always wanted	M
		is always wanting	T


3. 	I think dad _ the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.	has loved	O
		loves	O
		will love	E


4. 	Kate and John _ to Hollywood in L.A. for their honeymoon.	fly	D
		are flying	R
		had flown	S


5. 	First, I _ to Broadway and then I _ to see the Statue of Liberty.	went/decided	I
		have gone/have decided	A
		was going/was deciding	E


6. 	We _ tickets to Chicago yesterday. We want to see Navy Pier in Chicago.	have bought	G
		boy	S
		bought	C

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		seem	E
		is seeming	O


8. 	Faneuil Hall Marketplace _ as the Cradle of Liberty	has known	O
		knows	E
		is known	I


9. 	In the Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado there are houses which _ from the caves.	carves	L
		are carved	S
		have carved	C


10. 	I _ thousands of dollars in one of the casinos in Las Vegas recently.	loses	I
		lost	O
		have lost	A


11. 	Since Karen was a little girl she _ her pocket money for a trip to Yellowstone.	saves	S
		has been saving	N
		was saving	R


12. 	How about _ to Walt Disney World in Orlando.	going	O
		go	E
		to go	A


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		was become	R
		become	F


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		has been	H
		went	L


15. 	The action of Coming to America with Eddie Murphy _ place in Queens.	takes	E
		took	I
		is taking	O

16. 	Perhaps we _ our next holidays on Venice Beach in Los Angeles.	will spend	R
		spent	N
		are spending	W

17. 	If I _ the lottery, I _ to Hollywood.	had won/would fly	P
		win/will fly	F
		won/would fly	N

18. 	_ you _ this book about the USA for the competition?	Had _ read	O
		Do _ read	I
		Are _ reading	A

19. 	The Mayflower pilgrims _ from Plymouth to the New World.	sailed	M
		were sailing	T
		have sailed	N

20. 	The founding fathers _ the Declaration of Independence in 1776.	was signed	A
		signed	E
		sign	O



21.

The United States Congress _ of
two chambers: the House of
Representatives and the Senate.

consisted

G

consists

F

consist

D



22.

FBI (the Federal Bureau of
Investigation) _ many
dangerous criminals.

was arrested

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has arrested

O

had arrested

I



23.

CIA (the Central Intelligence
Agency) _ me as a spy several
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The 91. Academy Awards
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		have participated	N
		participated	P


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		directs	S


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		is located	T

30. 	The United States Capitol _ host to major events.	has played	O
		plays	I
		played	A

31. 	I _ for the job in the Pentagon, the headquarters of the United States Department of Defense next week.	apply	M
		am applying	N
		will apply	R

32. 	People believe that Area 51 _ the remains of the UFO.	will hide	E
		has hidden	O
		hides	I

33. 	While I _ across the States, I _ some lovely souvenirs.	travelled/was buying	K
		was travelling/bought	T
		travelled/bought	B

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		to go	W
		go	T

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CHRISTMAS



It's a Christian festival celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ.

I

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COLUMBUS DAY



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N

3.

THANKSGIVING



This festival celebrates the first harvest in the New World.

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During this festival people dress up and organise parties, children collect sweets.

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This festival is celebrated on the 11th of November to honour soldiers who served for the United States.

D

6.

**ST. VALENTINE'S
DAY**



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W

7.

EASTER



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8. From which floor can you admire the city?
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15. Where can you admire works of art from the 20th and 21st century?
16. What is the post-World Trade Centre place called?
17. Where did Bob Dylan first performed?
18. What monument is seen at the end of the movie?



VIDEO ACTIVITY ~ ANSWER SHEET

1. In the _____ - 1. _____ of the United States.
2. Over _____ 11. _____ people
3. The _____ 17.
4. _____ 5. _____
5. By _____ 10. _____ or _____
6. It's the _____ 12. _____
7. In 20. _____
8. The _____ 16. _____ floor
9. In the _____ 19. 6. _____
10. In _____ 8. _____
11. The _____ 7. _____
12. On _____ 18. _____
13. The _____ 4. _____
14. At the 2. _____ of Art
15. At the _____ 13. _____ Museum New York
16. The _____ 14. _____
17. In _____ 15. _____
18. The _____ 3. _____

Decode the message:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20

taxi

1.

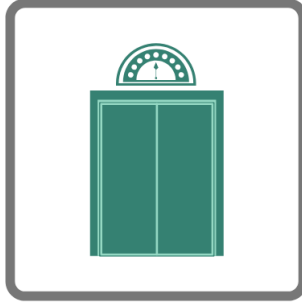


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lift

2.



M



petrol

3.

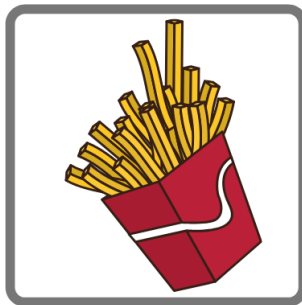


E



chips

4.



R



crisps

5.



I



underground

6.



C



flat

7.



A



tin

8.



N



sweet

9.



V



wardrobe

10.

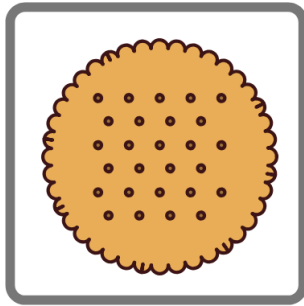


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biscuit

11.



R



nappy

12.



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curtains

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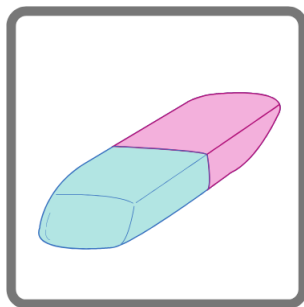


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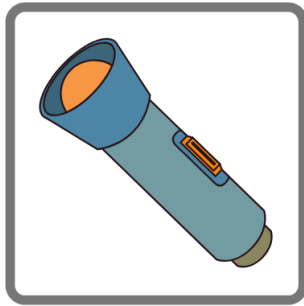


B



torch

16.



R



rubbish

17.



I



motorway

18.



T



queue

19.



I



post

20.



S



film

21.



H



trousers

22.



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pavement

23.



N



trainers

24.



G



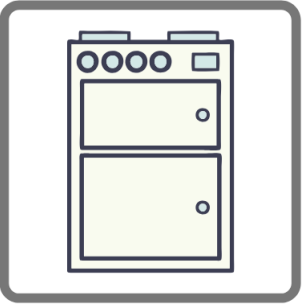

football

25.





L



cooker	26.		I	
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truck	27.		S	
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autumn	28.		H	
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Times Square	1.	W	many New Yorkers flock here to celebrate the New Year's Eve
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Waikiki	4.	H	a suburb of Honolulu known for the beautiful golden sand beach
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Hollywood Walk of Fame	2.	A	you can find here brass stars bearing the names of famous actors and film directors
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Kilauea	5.	I	an active shield volcano in the Hawaiian Islands
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Brooklyn Bridge	3.	S	a steel-wire suspension bridge located in New York
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Florida Keys	6.	N	a coral cay archipelago located off the southern coast of Florida
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Las Vegas	7.	G	a large city in the USA known for its gambling and nightlife
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Manhattan	14.	V	the most densely populated of the five boroughs of New York City
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Denali National Park	8.	T	national park located in Interior Alaska
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Yellowstone	15.	E	the first national park in the U.S., located in Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho
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White House	9.	O	the official residence and workplace of the President of the United States
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Golden Gate	16.	R	a one-mile-wide strait connecting San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Ocean
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Yosemite National Park	10.	N	an American national park located in California famous for its granite cliffs, waterfalls, clear streams and giant sequoia groves
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Niagara Falls	17.	T	three waterfalls between the Canadian province of Ontario and the US state of New York
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Mount Rushmore	11.	N	a mountain in South Dakota featuring huge sculptures of four American Presidents
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The Statue of Liberty	18.	O	a gift to the United States from the people of France
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Faneuil Hall	12.	N	a meeting hall and marketplace in Boston, referred to as the Cradle of Liberty
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Alcatraz Island	19.	L	it served as a federal prison from 1934 through 1963
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Grand Canyon	13.	E	a large valley with very steep sides carved by the Colorado River
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Graceland	20.	A	Elvis Presley's former estate
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The French Quarter	21.	L	the oldest neighbourhood in New Orleans
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Orlando	23.	E	you can visit three famous theme parks here: Walt Disney World Resort, Universal Studios, and SeaWorld
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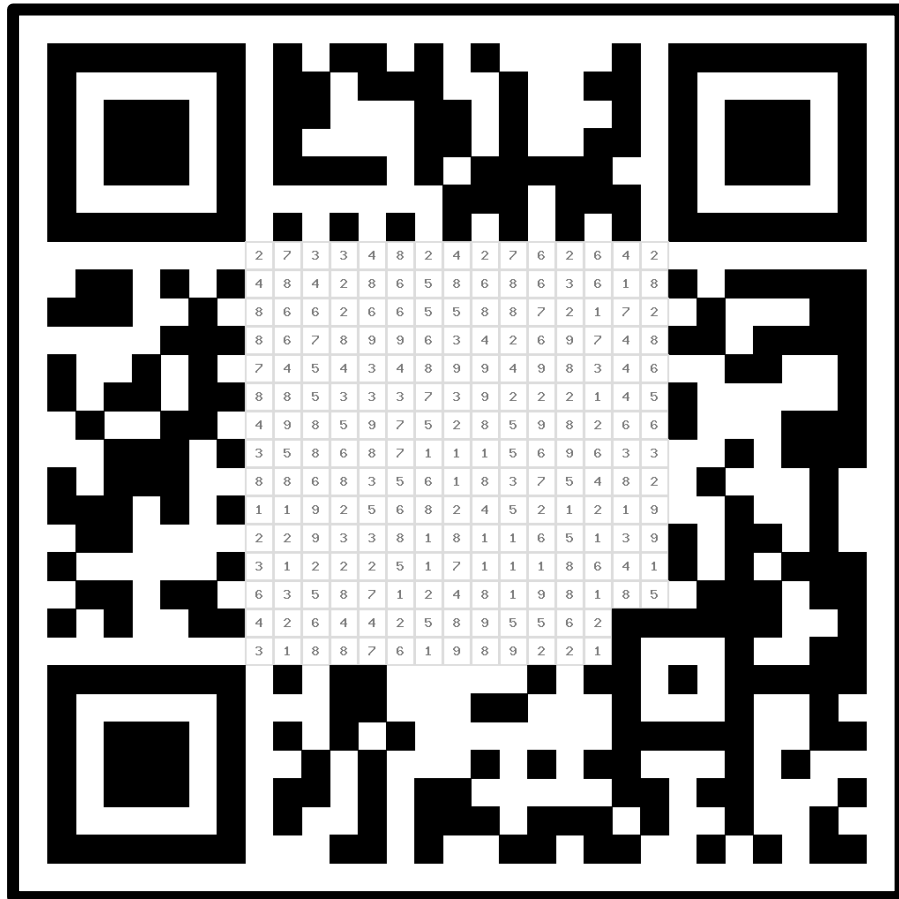
Hearst Castle	22.	I	a residence designed by architect Julia Morgan for a newspaper magnate
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My American girlfriend

You might already know that my American girlfriend Karen invited me to visit her in New York. I was so excited as it had always been my dream to visit The 1. _ Apple. I come from a small town and was at first overwhelmed by the size of the city, but I got used to it after a few days. What turned 2. _ to be the biggest and the least anticipated problem for me was the language. I once read somewhere that England and America are two countries separated by a common language. I was able to experience it when I was in 3. _ States. I did not realize that British and American words can have so different and confusing meanings. 4._ the very first day I managed to say more embarrassing things than I had in my entire life. The worst was probably when I told her I left my umbrella in the boot. She nearly broke up with me thinking I had gone crazy. The part of the car I called the boot was the trunk for her. Another funny situation happened when she asked if I could tell her if her pants 5. _ her. I didn't know that pants are simply 6. _ in American English not underwear and felt a bit disappointed. Once Karen asked me to buy some chips. I came back with a whole bucket from KFC but she was surprised as she meant crisps. What the British know as chips the Americans call 7. _ fries. How confusing! One day we were looking for some old photos in the attic, as we could hardly see 8. _ I asked her if she could bring a torch. She had no idea what I meant and explained it's not safe to use open fire in 9. _ houses. Again a misunderstanding. Americans use the word flashlight when they talk about a torch. I must say it was an interesting experience. I decided to start watching American films (or 10. _ as Karen would say) to pick up more American English words and avoid embarrassment next time I visit America.

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| 1. a) Big | b) Mini | c) Rotten |
| 2. a) in | b) out | c) up |
| 3. a) a | b) - | c) the |
| 4. a) On | b) At | c) In |
| 5. a) suited | b) matched | c) fitted |
| 6. a) knickers | b) trousers | c) tights |
| 7. a) french | b) fried | c) Belgian |
| 8. a) something | b) nothing | c) anything |
| 9. a) wooden | b) wood | c) woody |
| 10. a) moves | b) movies | c) pictures |

Read the text and choose the correct option a, b or c. Colour ONLY these squares in the QR code if their number corresponds to the questions where **a** is the correct answer.



START



Benjamin
Franklin

T

he invented the
lightning rod



George
Washington

H

the first president of
the United States



Thomas
Jefferson

E

one of the authors of
*The Declaration of
Independence*



Abraham
Lincoln

S

he was the American
President who
abolished slavery



Emily Dickinson

T

one of America's
greatest female poets



Thomas Edison

A

an inventor who
developed light bulbs



Henry Ford

R

used assembly line for
making cars



Wright Brothers

S

they built the world's
first successful plane



Franklin D.
Roosevelt

A

the president of the
USA during the Great
Depression



Amelia Earhart

N

the first woman to fly
solo across the Atlantic



Al Capone

D

American gangster who
rose to fame during the
prohibition era



Ernest
Hemingway

S

American writer, he
wrote *For Whom the
Bell Tolls*



Alfred
Hitchcock

T

film director, producing
films, such as *Psycho*,
Rear Window and *Birds*



Walt Disney

R

creator of cartoon
characters such as
Mickey Mouse



Billie Holiday

I

jazz and blues singer
nicknamed 'Lady Day'



Marilyn Monroe

P

American actress, died
in 1962 from a drugs
overdose



**Martin Luther
King**

E

American civil rights
campaigner, the famous "I
Have a Dream Speech"



Neil Armstrong

S

first man to land and
walk on the moon



Elvis Presley

F

American pop singer,
an idol for millions in
the 1950s



**Steven
Spielberg**

O

he directed *Schindler's
List*



Bill Gates

R

American businessman,
founder of Microsoft



Barack Obama

E

the first black President



**William
Faulkner**

O

The Nobel Prize-winning
novelist, he wrote *The
Sound and the Fury*



**Francis Scott
Fitzgerald**

E

wrote novels including
The Great Gatsby



Jack London

R

wrote *The Call of the
Wild*, and *White Fang*



FINISH