

*D.C.*

*- the Capital of  
the United States*

Матеріал к уроку англійського  
языка 8 класс.



The Flag and the Symbol of Washington D. C.

Motto: *Justitia omnibus* (Justice to all).

Flower: American beauty rose.

Tree: Scarlet oak.



Washington, D.C. is the capital of the United States of America. It is situated between Virginia and Maryland on the Potomac River. The district is named after Columbus.



*George Washington*

The city was named after George Washington, the first American President.

He led the American army in many battles during the War for American Independence.



This is the Capitol where the Congress of the United States meets.

The building stands on Capitol Hill, the highest point in the city.

The Capitol Dome is so large that you can see it everywhere in Washington.



In the centre of the city you can see an obelisk. It is a monument to George Washington – the first President of the United States of America. It is one of the largest stone monuments in the world. On the top of it you can see a pyramid. It is used as an observation platform. From it you can see the entire District of Columbia.





**The White House, the official residence of the President.**

**This is the oldest public building in Washington D.C.**

**The first residents of the White House were President and Mrs. John Adams in November 1800. There are 132 rooms in the White House.**



Washington is one of the most beautiful and unusual cities in the USA. There are no skyscrapers because they would hide the city's monuments from view.

This is Pennsylvania Avenue.





This is the Lincoln Memorial, built in honor of Abraham Lincoln. He became the sixteenth President of the United States in 1861. Lincoln wrote the Emancipation Proclamation, which freed the blacks in the South from slavery.



It is the Jefferson Memorial. Thomas Jefferson was the third President of the United States. He wrote the Declaration of Independence.



This is the Arlington National Cemetery. Such is the price which the American people have to pay for the military adventures of the Pentagon.



The population of the city and its suburbs is about 3,8 million people.

Most of the people work at the government offices.

Washington has little industry.

The federal government and tourism are the mainstays of city's economy.





Thousands of tourists visit Washington every day.

People from all parts of the United States come to see their capital and the monuments to those who in past centuries struggled for the independence of their country.



# Task for pupils.

## ■ Is it true or false?

1. George Washington did not live in the White House.
2. New York City is the capital of the USA.
3. John Adams was the first president to live in the White House.
4. Washington D.C. has little industry.
5. Buildings in the city may be more than 40 meters tall.
6. There are 132 rooms in the White House.
7. U S Capitol is the tallest building in Washington D.C.
8. The Arlington National Cemetery is located in the state of Washington.
9. The President lives and works in the White House.
10. Visitors can tour all of the rooms in the White House.



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