

The Grand Canyon.



## The United States of America

The country called the "United States of America" - USA - covers a large part of the North American Continent. It stretches from the Atlantic Ocean in the east to the Pacific Ocean in the west. The fifty states which form the USA also include Alaska, on the northwest of Canada, and tropical Hawaii far out in the Pacific. Each state is different and has an atmosphere of its own. The land is varied and vast, ranging from the warm beaches of Florida to the frozen lands of Alaska, and from the Midwest prairies to the Rocky Mountains. The United States is also the land of the spectacular Grand Canyon, the mighty Mississippi River, and the thundering Niagara Falls.

The original thirteen colonies, founded by the English Pilgrim Fathers on the east coast, still have the flavour of England. The battles against British domination were fought in these states. The Declaration of Independence signed in