Реферативная работа

Тема: СТРАНОВЕДЕНИЕ. США

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English is an international language. It is spoken worldwide. The biggest English-speaking country is the USA. I learn English language with fun and interest, also Γ ve been in America 2 times (in Winnebago camp) and after camp season I travelled in the USA. The United States of America is one of the biggest and highly developed countries in the world. People of different nationalities live there. It's a country of rich culture, traditions and exciting history. America has a big influence on the world's history. For this reason I've chosen the topic.

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The territory of the USA is the fourth in the world. It consists of 3 parts:

- The main area (a rectangle-shaped area stretching almost 4.7 thousand km from the East to the West and 3 thousand km from the North to the South);
- Alaska;
- Hawaiian Islands in the Pacific Ocean.

The United States, with its large size and geographic variety, includes most climate types. English is the de facto national language.

The capital of the US is Washington, called in the name of the first president of

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America George Washington. It is the place where president's residence the White House is situated.

The highest building in the capital is the Capitol. In front of the Capitol building ceremonies of the President's inauguration are held. The winner of the 2008 presidential election, Democrat Barack Obama, is the 44th U.S. president.

New York is one of the biggest cities of the USA and the symbol of the city and all the country is the Statue of Liberty.

In the heart of the Arizona desert, along the Colorado River there is Grand

Canyon National Park, which is one of the deepest canyons in the world. I really want to visit it.

The Niagara Falls, located on the Niagara River is draining Lake Erie into Lake Ontario on the border between Canada and the USA. The Niagara Falls is the collective name for the Horseshoe Falls and the adjacent to American Falls. The Niagara Falls have a vertical drop of more than 50 m. Horseshoe Falls is the most powerful waterfall in North America.

The Harvard University is one of the most famous universities in the world.

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The camp Winnebago is located in the state Maine, some kilometers from the Atlantic Ocean in the picturesque woods on the lake coast. Frederick L. Guggenheimer founded Winnebago in 1919. Winnebago is a camp for 8-15 year old boys. The children are mostly Americans. Besides every year about 20 boys from other countries come to the camp. Winnebago offers a unique experience amidst a caring, dynamic and supportive community.

Boys make lifelong friends and learn to excel in a wide variety of activities leaving them brimming with confidence,

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happiness and lasting memories. The kids don't have any electronic devices, TV and phones. Every day at Winnebago is filled with fun, learning and a variety of activities. Twice a day whatever the weather is- bathing in the lake is a rule. The kids play different games such as soccer, softball, basketball, dodge ball, kickball, team handball, flag football, and street hockey every day.

Besides in the camp we had Arts & Crafts, Boat & Canoeing/Kayaking, Camp craft, Nature, Photography, Radio, Riflery, Sailing, Stagecraft, Tennis, Theater, Video, Windsurfing.

During these two years I've learned to shoot arrows with a bow (called archery), go water-skiing, set a tent, work with clay on potter's wheel and many other things. All this helps me to develop many skills, as well as to improve my English which I study with great pleasure.