**Ex 1. Video summary**

The video tells about the 10 best places for tourists in the United States.

In 10th place The French Quarter, also known as the Vieux Carre and Barrio Frances, is the oldest neighborhood in the city of New Orleans. After New Orleans was founded in 1718, the city developed around the Vieux Carre , a central square. The district is more commonly called the French Quarter today, or simply "The Quarter". Most of the extant historic buildings were constructed either in the late 18th century, during the city's period of Spanish rule, or were built during the first half of the 19th century.

In 9th place The White House is the official residence and workplace of the president of the United States. It is located at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW in Washington, D.C. and has been the residence of every U.S. president since John Adams in 1800. The term "White House" is often used as a metonym for the president and his advisers.

In 8th place Denali National Park and Preserve is an American national park and preserve located in Interior Alaska, centered on Denali, the highest mountain in North America. Denali's landscape is a mix of forest at the lowest elevations, including deciduous taiga, with tundra at middle elevations, and glaciers, snow, and bare rock at the highest elevations. The longest glacier is the Kahiltna Glacier. Wintertime activities include dog sledding, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling.

In 7th place The Las Vegas Strip is a stretch of South Las Vegas Boulevard in Clark County, Nevada that is known for its concentration of resort hotels and casinos. The Strip, about 6.8 km long, sits immediately south of the Las Vegas city. Many of the largest hotel, casino, and resort properties in the world are located on the Strip, known for its contemporary architecture, lights, and wide variety of attractions.

In 6th place Kilauea is an active shield volcano in the Hawaiian Islands that last erupted between 1983 and 2018. Historically, Kilauea is the most active of the five volcanoes that together form the island of Hawai. Located along the southeastern shore of the island, the volcano is between 210,000 and 280,000 years old and emerged above sea level about 100,000 years ago.

In 5th place Niagara Falls is a group of three waterfalls at the southern end of Niagara Gorge, spanning the border between the US state of New York and the Canadian province of Ontario. The largest of the three is Horseshoe Falls, also known as Canadian Falls, which straddles the international border between Canada and the United States. The smaller American Falls and Bridal Veil Falls lie entirely within the United States. Bridal Veil Falls are separated from Horseshoe Falls by Goat Island and from American Falls by Luna Island, with both islands situated in New York as well.

In 4th place The Golden Gate Bridge is a suspension bridge spanning the Golden Gate, the one-mile-wide strait connecting San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Ocean. The structure links the U.S. city of San Francisco, California—the northern tip of the San Francisco Peninsula—to Marin County, carrying both U.S. Route 101 and California State Route 1 across the strait. The bridge is one of the most internationally recognized symbols of San Francisco, California, and the United States.

In 3th place Yellowstone National Park is an American national park located in the western United States, with parts in Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. Yellowstone was the first national park in the U.S. and is also widely held to be the first national park in the world. The park is known for its wildlife and its many geothermal features, especially Old Faithful geyser, one of its most popular. While it represents many types of biomes, the subalpine forest is the most abundant.

In 2nd place Manhattan , often referred to by residents of the New York City area as the City, is the most densely populated of the five boroughs of New York City, and coextensive with the County of New York, one of the original counties of the U.S. state of New York. Manhattan serves as the city's economic and administrative center, cultural identifier, and historical birthplace.

On 1 place The Grand Canyon is a steep-sided canyon carved by the Colorado River in Arizona, United States. The Grand Canyon is 446 km long, up to 29 km wide and attains a depth of over a mile. The canyon and adjacent rim are contained within Grand Canyon National Park, the Kaibab National Forest, Grand Canyon–Parashant National Monument, the Hualapai Indian Reservation, the Havasupai Indian Reservation and the Navajo Nation.

**Washington. Exercise 1.**

1. Washington is situated in the District of Columbia and is like no other city of [the USA](https://lms.kgeu.ru/mod/page/view.php?id=83496).
2. Washington is the capital of the United States of America.
3. Washington is the world’s largest one-industry city. And that industry is government.
4. The White house, where the US President lives and works, the Capitol, the home of the US Congress, and the Supreme Court, are all in Washington.
5. The White House is the official residence of the US President. He works in the Oval Office.
6. President George Washington the place for the capital.
7. Yes, is there.
8. Pierre L’Enfant, a French engineer, designed the city.
9. Washington was first settled in 1790
10. the huge dome of the Capitol, not far from the Capitol is the Library of Congress, the largest library in the States.
11. There are 5 universities in Washington.
12. There are no skyscrapers in Washington, because they would hide city’s many monuments from view.

**Washington. Exercise 2.**

1. F (is situated in the District of Columbia)
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3. F (Washington was named after the first US President George Washington)
4. F (He selected the place for the capital and Pierre L’Enfant, a French engineer, designed the city)
5. F (There are 5 universities in Washington
6. F (There are no skyscrapers in Washington)

**Gerund. Exercise 2.**

1. Просмотр футбольных матчей может быть достаточно захватывающим, но, конечно, гораздо интереснее играть в футбол.

2. Она перестала навещать нас, и мне стало интересно, что же с ней случилось.

3. Может быть, вы помните, что видели этого человека раньше?

4. Она была в ужасе от того, что ей придется с кем-то разговаривать, и еще больше от того, что с ней заговорят.

5. Он уже собирался выйти из клуба, когда швейцар остановил его.

6. После того, как учитель исправил их, ученические работы были возвращены им.

7. Я удивлялся тому, что моя мать разрешила мне это путешествие.

8.Я прекрасно понимаю ваше желание немедленно приступить к работе.

9. Все будут обсуждать это событие, и ничто этому не помешает.

10. Наконец он нарушил молчание, пригласив всех пройти в столовую.

11. Услышав эту новость, она побледнела.

12. Это место стоит посетить.