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New York City

- The **biggest city in the USA**
- Formerly named **New Amsterdam**; sometimes called „The Big Apple“, „The Melting Pot“ or „The city that never sleeps“
- Iconic city for Americas **fastening lifestyle**
- City is made up of **5 neighbourhoods** – Manhattan, The Bronx, Staten Island, Brooklyn and Queens
- **Population:** 8 500 000

History:

- also settlement of Native Americans during the pre-colonial era
- had **many names** (depending on the colonists) – the most important of which is the New Amsterdam (since 1614)
- after British captured the city in 1664, the former Lord of York renamed it to New York
- NYC was the **capital** of the USA shortly after the War of Independence

Transportation:

- most of the transportation runs 24 hours a day 7 days a week (24/7)



- **busiest subway system** in the Western Hemisphere
- **Grand Central Station** - world's largest railway station according to number of platforms
- People use **yellow cabs** a lot

Places to visit:

- New York is famous for its **skyscrapers**, especially for **the Manhattan skyline** (most remarkable used to be The Twins - former World Trade Center towers destroyed in 2001)
 - Empire State Building
- **Statue of Liberty** - symbol of democracy and American Independence, stands on Liberty Island and has a torch in her right hand; in her left hand, there is a tablet with date of the Day of Independence (4. 7. 1776); it also recalls the friendship between the US and France
- **Wall Street** - street in Manhattan, home of the New York Stock Exchange
- **Broadway** - oldest main North-South street in NYC, home of countless theatres (*Tony Awards* - similar to the Academy Awards, except it celebrates performances on stage and not on screen)
- **The Central Park** - biggest park in the NYC, located in downtown; huge contrast between surrounding skyscrapers and the beauty of nature

Comparison - Washington, D.C:

- **Height of the buildings**
 - Washington, D.C.- small buildings that are not taller than the Capitol
 - New York City- tall skyscrapers
- **Rivers**
 - Washington, D.C.- no river
 - New York City- the Hudson river (border between Manhattan and New Jersey) and the East river
- **Numbers of streets**
- **Population**
 - Washington, D.C.- 650 000



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