



**Otázka:** New York City

**Jazyk:** Angličtina

**Přidal(a):** Maruška

## NYC

- largest city in USA (18 mil. with agglomeration)
- on the east coast at the mouth of the Hudson and the East Rivers
- 5 boroughs: Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx, Staten Island
- one of the most important financial, commercial and cultural centers in the world

## INHABITANTS

- it is said to be an ethnic melting pot where people of different cultures meet
- "Little Italy", Chinatown, Orchard Street

## LANGUAGES

- today: more than 80 languages
- the second frequent language after English is Spanish

## TRANSPORT



- first line of subway was opened in 1904 (the largest in the world: 1143 km, 469 stations)
- three main airports
- train
- bus
- 12 000 yellow taxis (painted in 1970)

### THE BOROUGHES OF NYC

- Manhattan
  - o Empire State Building, Metropolitan Museum of Art, Metropolitan Opera House, Museum of Modern Art, Columbia University, New York University
- o The Broadway Theatre
- Brooklyn
  - o residential, industrial
  - o many educational institutions
- Queens
  - o the largest of boroughs
  - o most residential
  - o J.F.Kennedy's airport
- the Bronx
  - o primarily residential
  - o Bronx Park
  - o New York Zoological Gardens, Yankee Stadium (New York Yankees baseball team)
  - o very dangerous shanty town
  - o African-American and Hispanic communities

### PLACES OF INTEREST

- Statue of Liberty
  - o on Liberty Island
  - o symbol of freedom and United States itself
  - o the Lady holds a book with the inscription "4<sup>th</sup> July 1776" - the date of the beginning of the independent United States
- World Trade Center



- o "Twin Towers"
- o at least 50 000 people worked here
- o it was New York's tallest building
- o it crashed down as a result of a terrorist attack on September 11, 2001
- The Empire State Building
- o it is 381 meters high
- o 3 restaurants, 3 coffee shops, specialty boutiques, post office, 2 banks
- o 73 elevators

### **SPORTS**

- the most popular kinds of sport are baseball, ice hockey, tennis and football
- 2 famous baseball teams – Mets and Yankees
- New York Marathon
- o run through all five boroughs of New York
- o 41, 84 km
- o finish in Central Park

### **SCHOOLS**

- Columbia University
- o the oldest and the largest in USA
- o 18 000 students
- New York University
- o the largest private in USA
- o the main building is located in Washington Square

### **PARKS**

- Central Park
- o the largest and most important public park in Manhattan
- o officially opened at the end of 19<sup>th</sup> century
- o the park affords interesting walks, a ZOO, an ice-skating rink, three small lakes,



an open-air theatre, a bandstand, many athletic playing fields, children's playgrounds, several fountains, a hundreds of small monuments

## **NEW YORK AND NEW YORKERS**

- some visitors find that New Yorkers are not very friendly; some are, some aren't
- but you have to remember:
  - o don't carry a lot of money with you
  - o don't travel on the subway alone at night
  - o go into the nearest hotel or shop if you suddenly feel afraid
  - o New York can be very hot in the middle of summer and very cold in the middle of winter – go at the right time and take the right clothes with you