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The United States: A Survey (Landeskunde USA)

This course will help advanced learners of English to get to know America and the Americans. It covers a wide range of interesting topics such as spectator sports, demographic changes, ethnic groups, national production, the Ivy League, Gotham, the Big Three, the Great Plains, the War of Secession, the Roaring Twenties, the New Deal, Mc Carthyism, the Civil Rights Movement, Watergate, Running for President, Wall Street and Hollywood – to name but a few.

This abundant information on the "American way of life" can also be a great help to those who want to prepare for a stay in the U.S.A.

The text book used as basic material comprises these chapters:

- 1. American English
- 2. The American People
- 3. American Geography
- 4. History of the U.S.
- 5. American Institutions
- 6. American Literature (one-page supplement)

Textbook: Christopher Garwood et al., Aspects of Britain and the USA

(Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1992), pp.51-91

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