

Transcript Track 26

Let's visit the United States of America

Florida

The Everglades in Florida is a huge swamp (Sumpf) that was once the bottom of the sea (Meeresboden). It is home to thousands of alligators and has its own unique (einzigartig) ecosystem.

Kansas

The middle of the United States is a flat dry windy area known as the Great Plains. This wheat prairie in Kansas was once home to the buffalo. In the 1930s farmers cut the grass to grow other crops (Getreide, Feldfrüchte). But the earth became dry and blew away and nothing would grow. For years the area was known as the Dust Bowl.

New Mexico

Water scares (Wasser ist knapp) in this desert in New Mexico. It's a good place to go ballooning as the air is so hot and dry.

Colorado

The Rocky Mountain Range is the longest range in North America. The Rocky Mountain Park in Colorado is very high and cold. People go skiing there.

Alaska

Alaska is the largest and coldest state in the United States. The north of Alaska is inside the Arctic Circle. It is too cold for trees to grow.