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今回は盛岡校Jose先生による、出身国アメリカの多様性についてのエッセイです。読み終わる頃にはきっとあなたもアメリカに旅してみたくなるでしょう！

"Having lived in many different areas of the U.S., crossed it from coast to coast three times, I can attest to the great human diversity that is found there. Setting aside the geographical diversity which ranges from tropical islands and snow capped mountains to painted deserts and golden plains we will focus on the people and the food.

Starting our journey in the only state that is made up of islands, Hawaii is known as the rainbow state. The name is an adequate fit because there is always a rainbow arching across the sky somewhere in Hawaii. The people and food are some of the most unique in the United States due to the fact that Hawaii, before joining the union, was an autonomous kingdom. The people from Hawaii are incredibly diverse themselves. The boom of the sugar and pineapple industry brought migrant workers from all over the world which greatly influenced and shaped modern Hawaii.

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“The United States, Diversity Galore”

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Jumping across the Pacific Ocean we come to the Golden State-California. One of four states that shares its border with Mexico, the flavors of its southern neighbors abundantly spill over into it. Having two distinct areas, Northern and Southern, you could take multiple vacations visiting all the different cities there. Northern California's city of San Francisco—which is home to one of biggest Chinatowns in the world—is a kaleidoscope of people and food. Also connected to San Francisco is the city Berkeley. Known for its art and unique style of thinking, it was the epicenter of the Hippy movement of the 1960's. Though the Hippies are long gone the atmosphere remains. Heading south for roughly 6 to 8 hours you leave the north and arrive at the south in Los Angeles. The second largest city in the United States and the largest in California, you could literally live your whole life there not having to speak English. Having a predominantly Hispanic demographic makes Los Angeles feel like an extension of Mexico, Central, and South America. You can find food from every

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country in the world in Los Angeles. A little further south you enter Orange County the home of the City of Anaheim. This is where Disneyland is, not Los Angeles.

Then there is San Diego, which is so close in distance but so far away in feeling from Los Angeles. San Diego is proud of its surfing, snowboarding, and laid back attitude. Their take on the originally Mexican food named a ‘burrito’ is by far the best in the world. San Diego is truly an amazing place and if you’re visiting Southern California I would highly recommend a visit.

This is far from an in-depth look at these truly unique places, however, I hope that my overview sparks an interest that makes you take a closer look at Hawaii and California and eventually see them for yourself.



galore たくさん、豊富な **attest** 証明する

painted desert 光の影響などで時間によってカラフルに見える砂漠

autonomous 独立した **spill over** あふれ出る

kaleidoscope 万華鏡、民族のるっぽ **epicenter** 中心点

predominantly 主に **demographic** 人口

by far とても **in-depth** 詳細な

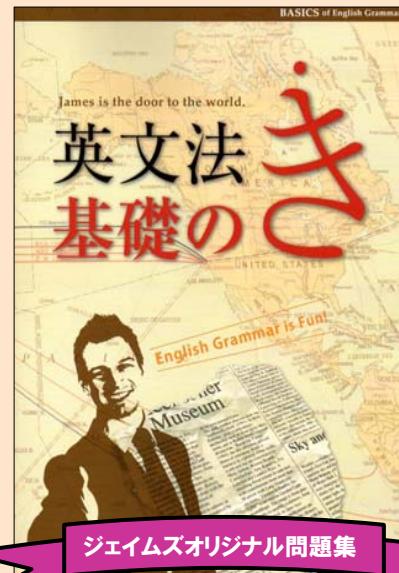
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