

RESOURCE SHEET – LISTENING MATERIAL – ENGLISH

Title: Cajun part 3 – Landscape and Animal life in Cajun Country (2025)

Short description:

Clothilde and Carla talk about the landscape, animal life and climate of South Louisiana and compare it to the conditions in Norway. They also connect the differences to latitude and elevation of the Norway and South Louisiana.

Vocabulary support:

bayou = a branch of a river in the southern US that moves very slowly and has many plants growing in it (from Oxford Learner's Dictionaries)

elevation = the height of a place, especially its height above sea level (from Oxford Learner's Dictionaries)

latitude = the distance of a place north or south of the equator (= the line around the world dividing north and south), measured in degrees (from Oxford Learner's Dictionaries)

Questions for Comprehension:

1. What is the difference in elevation between Louisiana and Norway?
2. How does one notice the difference in the elevations between Louisiana and Norway?
3. How is animal life different in Louisiana and Norway?
4. What is the difference in latitude between Norway and Louisiana?
5. What differences are there between Norway and Louisiana based on latitude?

Tasks for reflection/discussion:

1. Clothilde talks about several things from Cajun country that may seem exotic for people in Norway. Listen to the recording again and take notes of what seems very different from your life.
2. What in Norway (animals, nature, hobbies...) might seem exciting or unknown for people from other countries?
3. What units of measurement does Clothilde use to describe the elevation of Lafayette and Louisiana?
4. How do you convert between these two units?
5. What is the elevation of your town (Galdhøpiggen/Holmenkollen...) in both units?
6. Clothilde talks about the weather referring to degrees in Celsius. What unit of measurement is used for temperature in the USA?
7. How do you convert from one unit of measurement to the other?
8. What is the average temperature of your town in both units of measurement?
9. What is the latitude of the northernmost and southernmost place in Norway?
10. Where would these locations from question 6 be if you compared them to places in the United States?
11. What are the latitudes of the northernmost and southernmost places in the USA?
12. Where would these locations from question 8 be if you compared them to places in Europe?

Kompetansemål:

- utforske og beskrive levemåter, tenkesett, kommunikasjonsmønstre og mangfold i den engelskspråklige verden
- utforske og videreformidle innhold i engelskspråklige kulturelle uttrykksformer fra ulike medier knyttet til egne interesser
- lese, diskutere og videreformidle innhold fra ulike typer tekster, inkludert selvvalgte tekster
- stille spørsmål og følge opp innspill i samtaler om ulike emner tilpasset ulike formål, mottakere og situasjoner
- uttrykke seg med flyt og sammenheng med et variert ordforråd og idiomatiske uttrykk tilpasset formål, mottaker og situasjon
- lytte til og forstå ord og uttrykk i varianter av engelsk
- bruke sentrale mønstre for uttale i kommunikasjon