
Area Studies: Geographical Diversity of CA

— Global Tourism & Communication —
Day 4

Agenda

- Warm-Up Discussion
- Diverse Geography of California
- Group Discussion & Activity



Lesson Goals

Objectives

- **Retell different geographical features of California**

Activity: Warm-up Discussions

Discuss the questions. It is okay if you do not get to all of the questions.

- In your country, what types of geography can you find?
- What is your favorite type of weather?
- Do you prefer going to the mountains or to the beach (or other)?
- What types of geography/places come to mind when you think of “California”?

California has some big cities

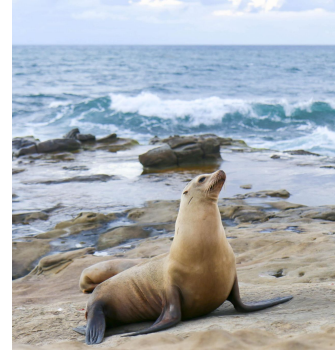


But when you travel through California, you'll see more than urban communities.

Beaches



Coves & Cave



Deserts



Farming



Mountains



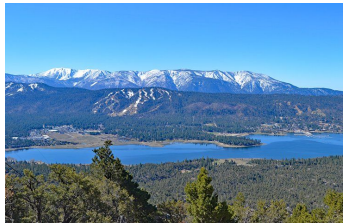
Volcanic Activity



Trees & Forests



Freshwater Lakes



Saltwater Lakes



Waterfalls



Activity: Review

There are many types of geography in California. In the chat, tell me which type of place you liked the most.

- Beaches
- Deserts
- Farmland
- Mountains
- Volcanoes
- Forests
- Lakes (saltwater or fresh)
- Waterfalls

Activity: Facts about California - Group Research

Each group is assigned 1 question (on the next slide)

The group members need to research the answer **AND** provide 2 facts related to the topic. **2 members of the group will present the information together.**

Example: Why is California called the “Golden State”?

- (Answer) It is called the Golden State because of the Gold Rush when people found gold in the state.
- (Fact) The Gold Rush began in 1848.
- (Fact) Around 300,000 people moved to California because of the Gold Rush.

Activity: Facts about California - Group Research

Each group is assigned 1 question.

1. What is the state capital?
2. Which animal is on the state flag of California?
3. What is the state motto of California?
4. What is the state flower of California?
5. What is the state fruit of California?
6. What is the state tree of California?
7. What is the state bird of California?

Activity: Geography

Homework Assignment:

Create a
post about
geography in
Japan.

Answer **only 1** of the following questions:

1. Are there any places in Japan that are similar to the locations you learned about in today's lesson?
2. Are there any National Parks in Japan, and have you ever been to any of them? Which ones are the most popular?

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