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ANOTACE:

ŽÁCI DOKÁŽOU LOKALIZOVAT A POPSAT KULTURNÍ PAMÁTKY USA.



- Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site (1982)
- Chaco Culture (1987)
- Independence Hall (1979)
- La Fortaleza and San Juan National Historic Site in Puerto Rico (1983)
- Mesa Verde National Park (1978)
- Monticello and the University of Virginia in Charlottesville (1987)
- Statue of Liberty (1984)
- Taos Pueblo (1992)



# CAHOKIA MOUNDS STATE HISTORIC SITE



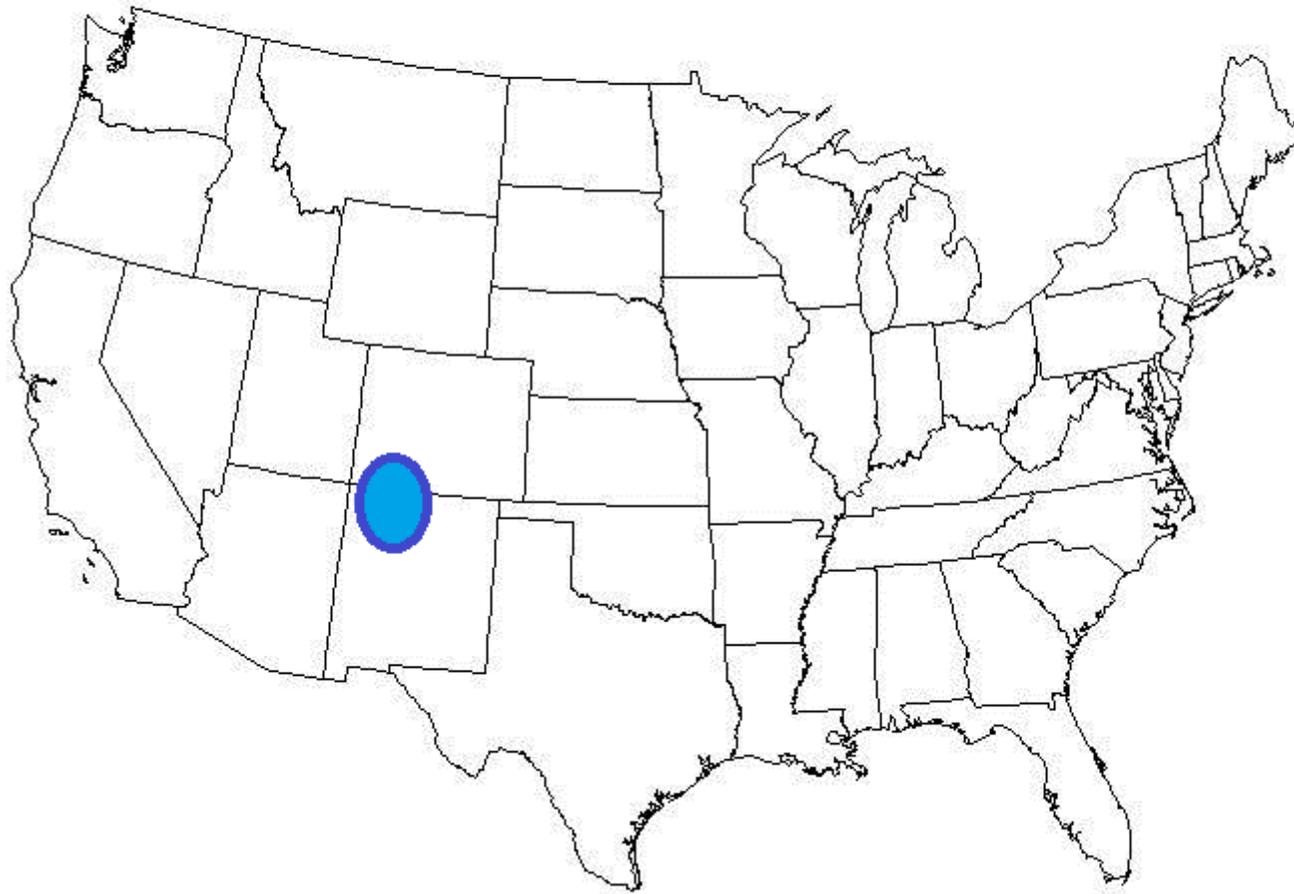
- A great civilization of Mississippian peoples settled there before Europeans discovered American continent. (600–1400 AD).
- Cahokia was larger than London was in AD 1250.

What is there to see?

- museum exhibit galleries, an orientation show theater, a public programming auditorium, museum shop etc.
- self-guided tours, guided tours, trails and the 100 ft high Monks Mound, the largest earthwork in North America <sup>1)</sup>



# CHACO CULTURE



- National Historical Park in northwestern New Mexico.
- A major centre of ancestral Pueblo culture between 850 and 1250 AD.
- *“Chaco is remarkable for its monumental public and ceremonial buildings and its distinctive multi-storey “greathouses” which demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of astronomical phenomena. They are linked by an elaborate system of carefully engineered and constructed roads.“ 2)*



## LANGUAGE FOCUS

TASK: MATCH THESE WORDS WITH THEIR MEANINGS

- Remarkable
  - Distinctive
  - Sophisticated
  - Multi-storey
  - Ancestral
  - Elaborate
  - Engineered
- Complicated and advanced in design
  - Planned, constructed, managed and put through by skillful acts
  - Having several levels or floors
  - Easy to recognize because of being different from other
  - Unusual in a way that surprises or impresses you
  - Related to who or what was there a long time ago
  - Very detailed and complicated



# TAOS PUEBLO



- The main part of the present buildings were most likely constructed between 1000 and 1450 AD
- Nowadays, around 150 people live within the Pueblo full time. Currently there are over 1900 Taos Indians living on Taos Pueblo lands.
- Languages spoken are Tiwa, English and Spanish
- They are considered to be the oldest continuously inhabited communities in the USA.



# MESA VERDE



- Mesa Verde means “green table“ in Spanish
- There are nearly 5,000 known archeological sites, including 600 cliff dwellings.
- The park was created in 1906 by President Theodore Roosevelt, to protect some of the best-preserved cliff dwellings in the world, or as he said, "*preserve the works of man.*"<sup>4)</sup>
- Tips for plces to visit: Balcony House and Long House, Cliff Palace or Mesa Verde reservoirs

Cliff dwelling – skalní obydlí



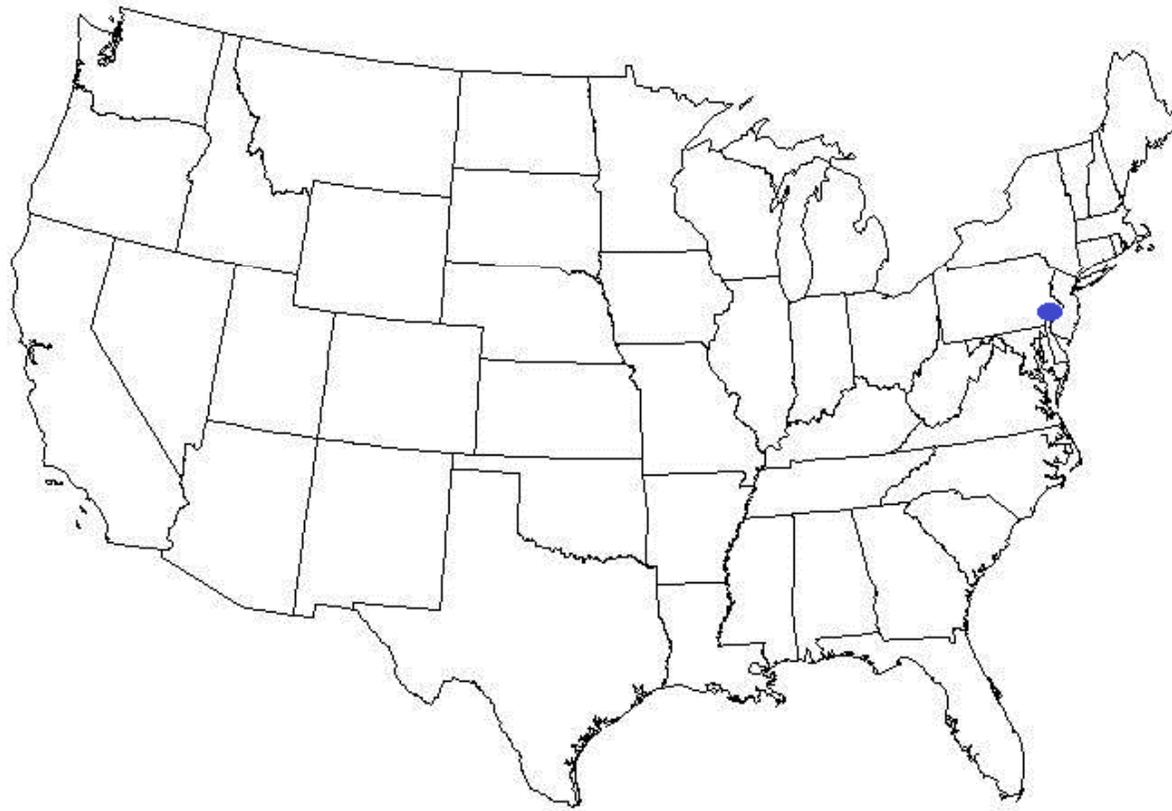
# HISTORY FOCUS: IMPORTANT DATES OF US HISTORY

- **The Founding Fathers of the United States of America** - John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Alexander Hamilton, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, and George Washington
- **July 4, 1776 The Declaration of Independence**
- **September 17, 1787 The Constitution of the United States**

**TASK:** What do you know about these people and documents?



# INDEPENDENCE HALL



- This is the place where the Declaration of Independence (1776) and the Constitution of the United States (1787) were signed.

You can also find there:

- **Liberty Bell Center**
- **Benjamin Franklin Museum**

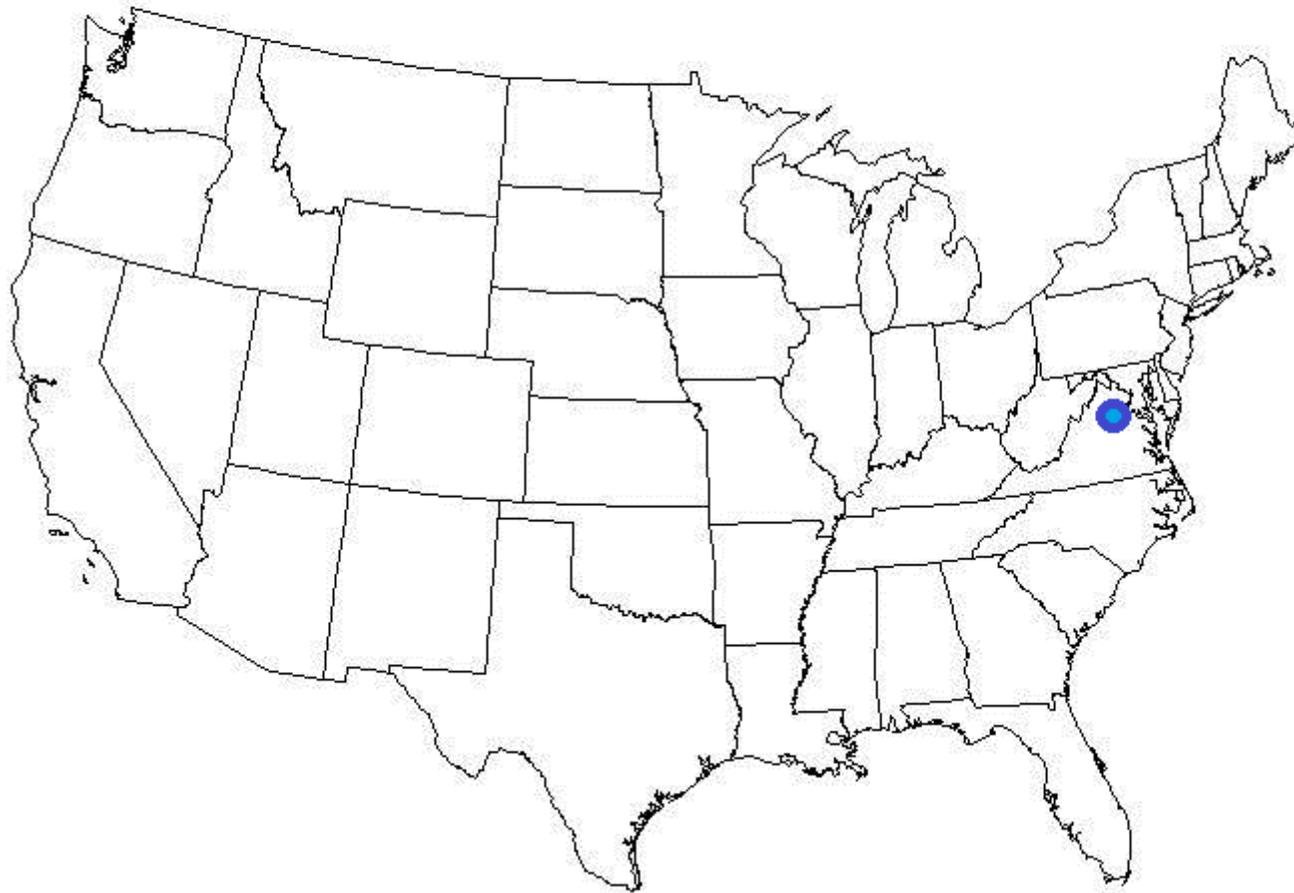


## BELL FACTS, HOW IT CRACKED

- “A bell for the Pennsylvania State House was cast in London, England, however, it cracked soon after it arrived in Philadelphia. Local craftsmen John Pass and John Stow cast a new bell in 1753, using metal from the English bell. Their names appear on the front of the bell, along with the city and the date. By 1846 a thin crack began to affect the sound of the bell. The bell was repaired in 1846 and rang for a George Washington birthday celebration, but the bell cracked again and has not been rung since. No one knows why the bell cracked either time.”<sup>5)</sup>



# MONTICELLO AND THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA IN CHARLOTTESVILLE



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- He also was a self-teached architect and so he designed his plantation home called Monticello and a academic village which then become the university of Virginia

**TASK:** There are grammatical mistakes in the text. Identify them and correct them.



- Thomas Jefferson was not only one of **the Founding Fathers**, author of the American Declaration of Independence and third president of the United States...
- He was **also** a self-**taught** architect and so he designed his plantation home called Monticello and **an** academic village which then became the **University of Virginia**



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