

## **WRITING**

### **2.1. Translate the text *Washington* in the written way [11]:**

#### **Washington**

Washington, the capital of the United States of America, is situated on the Potomac River in the District of Columbia. The district is a piece of land ten miles square and it does not belong to any separate state but to all the states. The district is named in honour of Columbus, the discoverer of America. The capital owes much to the first President of the USA – George Washington. It was G. Washington, who chose the place for the District and laid in 1790 the corner-stone of the Capitol, where Congress sits.

Washington is not the largest city in the USA. It has a population of 900 000 people. Washington is a one-industry town. That industry is government. It does not produce anything except very much scrap paper. Every day 25 railway cars leave Washington loaded with scrap paper.

Washington has many historical places. The largest and tallest among the buildings is the Capitol with its great House of Representatives and the Senate chamber. There are no skyscrapers in Washington because no other building must be taller than the Capitol. The White House is the President's residence. All American presidents except George Washington (the White House was not yet built in his time), have lived in the White House. It was built in 1799. It is a two-storied, white building.

Not far from the Capitol is the Washington Monument, which looks like a very big pencil. It rises 160 metres and is hollow inside. A special lift brings visitors to the top in 70 seconds from where they can enjoy a wonderful view of the whole city.

The Jefferson Memorial was built in memory of the third President of the USA, Thomas Jefferson, who was also the author of the Declaration of Independence. The memorial is surrounded by cherry-trees. The Lincoln Memorial devoted to the memory of the 16th President of the US, the author of the Emancipation Proclamation, which gave freedom to Negro slaves in America.

On the other bank of the Potomac lies the Arlington National Cemetery where President Kennedy was buried. American soldiers and officers, who died in World Wars I and II are buried there too.

## 2.2. Write the word combinations in English:

столица Соединенных Штатов Америки, расположен, в округе Колумбия, это кусочек земли, не принадлежит отдельному штату, в честь Колумба, первооткрывателя Америки, выбрал место, краеугольный камень Капитолия, много исторических мест, самое большое и высокое из всех зданий, не должно быть выше, Белый дом, все американские президенты, двухэтажное здание белого цвета, похож на большой карандаш, возвышающийся на 160 м, посетители поднимаются на верхушку монумента, полюбоваться, автор Декларации независимости, вишневые деревья, негры-рабы Америки, Арлингтонское национальное кладбище, где похоронен президент Кеннеди, погибшие в I и II мировых войнах.

## 2.3. Make up the questions and answer them:

1. of – what – the - city- is – USA – the – capital?
2. is – situated – where – Washington?
3. belong – of – state – which – the – city – Washington – does?
4. district – named – of - whose - is - the - Columbia – honor?
5. the – President – of – the – who – first - was – USA?
6. chose – who – place – the – the – District – for?
7. the – Washington – USA – city – in – the – largest – is?
8. what – the – of – Washington – population – is?
9. what are in the situated industries city?
10. do – what – 25 – railway – Washington – cars – loaded – with - leave?
11. in – are – why – there - sky-scrapers – Washington - no?
12. where – residence – is – the - President's?
13. when – White – built – was – the – House?
14. Jefferson – whose – memory – was – the – Memorial – built?
15. of – who – Declaration – the – is – the – author – of – Independence
16. freedom – which – gave – to – Negro – slaves – in – America – document?
17. National – who – Arlington – was – buried – at – the – Cemetery?

## 2.4. Find the English and Russian equivalents:

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| to be named in honor         | отдельный  |
| to enjoy a wonderful view of | макулатура |

separate	кроме, за исключением
on the other bank	любоваться прекрасным видом
hollow	вишневые деревья
cherry-trees	на другом берегу
scrap paper	полый, пустой
except	быть названным в честь

**2.5. Translate the text *How many States are there in the United States?* [12] in the written way.**

**How many States are there in the United States?**

There are fifty states and Washington D.C. The last two states to join the Union were Alaska (49th) and Hawaii (50th). Both joined in 1959. *Washington D.C.* is a federal district under the authority of Congress. Local government is run by a mayor and 13 member city council. Washington DC is represented in Congress by an elected, nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives and residents have been able to vote in Presidential elections since 1961. *Puerto Rico* is a commonwealth associated with the U.S. Its indigenous inhabitants are U.S. citizens. Puerto Ricans are unable to vote in U.S. Presidential elections but they do elect a nonvoting resident commissioner to the U.S. House of Representatives. *Dependent areas:* American Samoa, Baker Island, Guam, Howland Island, Jarvis Island, Johnston Atoll, Kingman Reef, Midway Islands, Navassa Island, Northern Mariana Islands, Palmyra Atoll, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Wake Island *note:* from 18 July 1947 until 1 October 1994, the US administered the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, but recently entered into a new political relationship with all four political units: the Northern Mariana Islands is a commonwealth in political union with the US (effective 3 November 1986); Palau concluded a Compact of Free Association with the US (effective 1 October 1994); the Federated States of Micronesia signed a Compact of Free Association with the US (effective 3 November 1986); the Republic of the Marshall Islands signed a Compact of Free Association with the US (effective 21 October 1986).