

Методичні рекомендації студентам з підготовки до практичних занять з навчальної дисципліни «Лінгвокраїнознавство Сполучених Штатів Америки»

Головна мета практичних занять з навчальної дисципліни «Лінгвокраїнознавство Сполучених Штатів Америки» - закріпити і розширити знання, отримані під час лекцій шляхом заохочення студентів до додаткових пошуків і поглибленого вивчення тематичного матеріалу курсу самостійно з наступним обговоренням, включаючи порівняльний аспект, залучаючи критичне мислення.

Окремим завданням виступає підготовка і захист презентації з обраної теми.

Вимоги до підготовки такої презентації. В межах курсу «Лінгвокраїнознавство Сполучених Штатів Америки» студенти повинні підготувати презентацію у застосунку Microsoft Office Power Point обсягом 10-12 слайдів. Слайди повинні бути чітко структуровані, із невисоким відсотком тексту. Більшість слайдів мають містити ілюстративний матеріал у вигляді зображень, фото, відео, таблиць, діаграм тощо. Показ слайдів повинен супроводжуватися розповіддю студента, під час якої можна детальніше зупинитися, розтлумачуючи певні складні для сприйняття моменти.

Тривалість усної доповіді – до 5 хвилин.

Максимальна кількість балів – 20

Орієнтовна тематика презентацій

1. Джо Байден – шлях до президентського олімпу.
2. Найпомітніші постаті на президентському олімпі США в історичному розрізі.
3. Проблеми сучасної американської молоді.
4. Марк Твен і Ернест Гемінгвей – генії американської літератури.
5. Дональд Трамп – феномен успіху.
6. Легенди американського спорту.
7. Расовий конфлікт у Великій Британії і США і шляхи його подолання.
8. Жінки в американській політиці.
9. Американська мрія. Ідеали і цінності американців.
10. Американське автовиробництво. Історія успіху.
11. Жінка, яка підкорила світ: Опра Вінфрі.
12. Ілон Маск. Феномен успіху.
13. Кіновиробництво в Америці. Голівуд.
14. Діяльність української діаспори у США.
15. Визначні постаті на культурному олімпі США.
16. Лондон і Вашингтон – як світові столиці.
17. Проблема американського і британського імперіалізму у сучасному світі.
18. G-7: історія і сучасні виклики.
19. Сполучені Штати Америки на міжнародній арені.
20. Музичні досягнення американців.

Практичне заняття 1

Питання до теми 1:

1. What does the United States of America consist of?
2. What does the USA border with?
3. How did the USA emerge?
4. State the origin dates of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.
5. What is American diversity caused by?
6. What peoples formed the character of an American?
7. Who discovered America: Christopher Columbus or Amerigo Vespucci? Explain your choice.

- Why is the country known as America and not Columbia?
8. What names does the American flag bear? Describe it.
 9. What is the history of the national anthem of the USA? Can you sing it?
 10. What do the Bald eagle and the Great Seal mean as national symbols?
 11. What is the area and population of the USA?
 12. Name all the Great Lakes of the USA. Show them on the map.
 13. What “Americanization theories” can you name? Illustrate each of them.
 14. What are the largest cities in the US? What can you find there?
 15. Characterize the languages functioning in the country.
 16. What are three main branches of the federal government?
 17. What are the most popular religions in the USA?

Практичне заняття 2

Питання до Теми 2:

1. What are the territories that the USA has the possession of?
2. What canal connects the Pacific and Atlantic oceans?
3. How far does the USA stretch from the north to the east and from the west to the east?
4. What are seven major regions of the USA? Characterize each of them briefly.
5. What is the longest river of the USA? Show it on the map. What are its main tributaries?
6. What river forms a natural boundary between Mexico and the USA?
7. What are the rivers of the Pacific side?
8. What are the main lakes of the country?
9. Where are the powerful Niagara Falls situated? What is their maximum height?
10. What salty lakes within the USA do you know?
11. What factors influence the climate of any country?
12. Characterize the climate of the USA.
13. What marks the 50-centimetre rainfall line?
14. What are the most specific vegetation species representing the USA?
15. What are the most specific animal species representing the USA?
16. What mineral resources does the country can boast of?
17. What are the most and the least populated states in the USA?
18. How many metropolitan areas are there in the USA?
19. Name all the natural disasters that are typical for the USA.

Практичне заняття 3

Питання до Теми 3:

1. How were the first Europeans to establish colonies in North America?
2. Whose honour was the place Virginia named in?
3. How and when was Jamestown settled?
4. What was the first representative government in North America?
5. How is the English colony of 1620 connected with the religion?
6. Remember some wars with natives in New England and their outcome.
7. Why do some states in America bear the names with a word “new”? Illustrate with examples.
8. What Acts of the British government tensed the relations between North American colonies and Britain?
9. What did the Great Proclamation state?
10. What does the phrase ‘No taxation without representation’ mean?
11. Characterize Boston Massacre and Boston tea party.
12. How did the American Revolution begin? What did it lead to?
13. When did George Washington become the President?
14. Who sold Louisiana to the USA? What was the price?
15. When did the USA annex Texas? What were the consequences of this annexation?
16. What caused the boom of California settling?
17. What issue tore all the American states apart? What acts contributed to the peaceful solution of

- the problem and which didn't?
18. What was the reason for the Confederate States of America formation? Who became its President?
 19. What President contributed to the abolition of slavery?
 20. What were the main achievements of the 19th century?
 21. What caused the Great Depression in the USA? Who tried to overcome its consequences?
 22. What is Marshal Plan?
 23. Illustrate the era of McCarthyism.
What was the reason for Watergate scandal? What did it lead to?

Практичне заняття 4

Питання до Теми 4:

1. Whose favourite recreation was fox hunting (among American presidents)? Remember some facts about him.
2. He attended Harvard College, where he studied biology, boxed. It is about.... . Tell some other facts about him.
3. He was named the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize laureate "for his extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples". It is about... . Remember some facts about him.
4. As the leader of the nation, he played a major role in issuing the Emancipation Proclamation which led to the abolishment of slavery. It is about... . Remember some facts about him.
5. Who was the 32nd President of United States and was popularly known as FDR? Remember some other facts about him.
6. Whose is this famous quotation: "Do not pray for easy lives. Pray to be stronger men". Do you agree? What other interesting facts can you remember about him?
7. What famous social activist fought for equal employment opportunities?
8. Who won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1954?
9. Who wrote the story 'The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County'?
10. Who played a major role in the development of the assembly line technique of mass production?
11. Who was popularly known as the 'Father of the Digital World'?
12. As a young woman she started modeling for The Blue Book Modeling Agency and soon became a very successful model thanks to her striking beauty and grace. It is about
13. Who popularized rockabilly, which was a blend of rhythm and blues and Country music?
14. Who won the 2016 Nobel Prize in Literature "for having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition"?
15. "When they say the sky is the limit, to me that's really true". Who said this?
16. Nicknamed 'The Greatest', he was one of the legends in the sport of professional boxing. It is about
17. He put his left foot on the surface of the Moon. This is about

Практичне заняття 5

Питання до Теми 5:

1. How many delegates drafted the Constitution?
2. What is the procedure of impeachment? Were there any Presidents impeached in the American history? Who was close to this step?
3. What are the main principles of the Constitution?
4. What is the structure of the Constitution?
5. What do the main amendments to the Constitution state?
6. What does the executive branch consist of?
7. What are the duties of the President? What are the main requirements for a candidate for the presidency?
8. What does the Cabinet consist of? Name its main departments.
9. What is the importance of the Secretary of State in the structure of the government?
10. How does the inauguration ceremony take place?

11. What does the legislative branch consist of?
12. What is the structure of the Senate? Who presides over it? How long do senators serve (one term)?
13. What is the structure of the House of Representatives? Who presides over it? How long do representatives serve (one term)?
14. Characterize the judicial branch of power.
15. What is the local system of government (state, county, city)?
16. Characterize the system of elections in the USA.
17. Outline main political parties in the USA.

Практичне заняття 6

Питання до Теми 6:

1. What are two types of schools in the USA? What is the difference?
2. Characterize pre-school education in the USA.
3. What controlling bodies of education are there in the USA?
4. Outline the main stages of schooling in the USA.
5. What is the role of school counselors?
6. What two basic school leaving documents are awarded after finishing school?
7. What does Individual Education Plan offer?
8. What is the degree difference between a college at university and a community college?
9. What is the basis for becoming a student of the university?
10. What is the difference between SAT and ACT?
11. What universities compose the Ivy League?
12. Characterize the studies at some American university.
13. What is the importance of adult or continuing education? Do you think it is important? Explain your ideas.

Практичне заняття 7

Питання до Теми 7:

1. What was the first newspaper in the colonies?
2. What are the top five daily newspapers by circulation?
3. When did the Internet era of newspapers begin in the USA?
4. How is television in the USA regulated?
5. What are nationwide commercial broadcast networks?
6. What is the noncommercial public television network?
7. What are the two bands American radio broadcasts? What is the difference?
8. What are leading weekly newsmagazines in the USA?
9. What magazine was intended to be available only on-line? Who is its founder?
10. What are four spectator team sports in America?
11. What sports originated in the USA?
12. Why jogging and hunting are so popular in the USA?

Практичне заняття 8

Питання до Теми 8:

1. What makes an American society so comfortable to live in?
2. Describe the American character.
3. What does *time* mean for Americans?
4. How can you explain the high value of occupational titles?
5. Why do Americans seem to be constantly *on the move*?
6. Comparatively few books from foreign countries are translated for sale in the United States, and sales of those that are translated tend to be slow. Explain such a tendency.
7. Provide the characteristics of the American cuisine.
8. Characterize a typical American family. What changes are evident at present? What is it caused by?