

1. Hawaii

This lesson focuses on the beautiful Pacific islands of Hawaii. Admitted on 21st August 1959, Hawaii is the 50th state of the United States.

Level

Pre-intermediate and above

How to use the lesson

1. Brainstorm what your students know about Hawaii.
2. Give your students 5-10 minutes to read through Worksheet A. Tell them they are going to answer questions about it, but they shouldn't write anything down at this stage.
3. Give each student a copy of Worksheet B, then divide the class into pairs and ask students to work together. In Part A they have to find six antonyms (opposites), in Part B they have to provide the missing words in order to find the name of the Hawaiian capital. Finally, in Part C they have to answer five true/false questions. Note: To make Part B slightly easier you could provide your students with a few of the letters from the missing words. Alternatively, to make it more difficult, you could ask them to try to fill in the answers without referring back to Worksheet A.
4. Check answers in open class.

Part A (antonyms): 1. beautiful 2. tiny 3. descendants 4. complicated
5. common 6. bright

Part B (grid):

1. fish
2. joined
3. foreigners
4. explorer
5. long
6. enormous
7. brightly
8. Oahu

If all the gaps have been filled correctly, *Honolulu* should read from top to bottom.

Part C (true/false).

1. F 2. T 3. F 4. T 5. F

2. Related Websites

Send your students to these websites, or just take a look yourself.

<http://www.hawaii-tourism.co.uk/>

'Official website of the Islands of Aloha': lots of information, plus some attractive pictures. Intermediate level and above.

<http://www.honoluluadvertiser.com/apps/pbcs.dll/frontpage>

News and opinions direct from Hawaii, courtesy of the *Honolulu Advertiser*. Intermediate level and above.

<http://www.karmakula.co.uk/>

Pictures of a wide range of aloha shirts in all their glory!