

1. Wochenplan - Klasse 8c, Englisch - Gie

- **Mind map** zu "California" erstellen - Was wisst ihr darüber/verbindet ihr damit? (das Sortieren der Themen und ggf. Unterüberschriften finden nicht vergessen!)
 - **Text von "Ramon Diaz" lesen (weiter unten), dann im Buch S. 98 A1 b), c):** Erklärung in Stichpunkten+Überschrift
 - Read the text again and note down **four more points** Ramon talks about, for which there are no photos. Search the Internet and **find photos** to illustrate these four points and write **captions** for them.
 - California is home to the US film industry. Make a **mind map** on "**films**", in which you collect words you know (nouns/adjectives) as well as different **genres**. Take a look at (**Buch**) **S. 98 A3 and S. 186 (wordbank films)** and sort in the words that are missing in your mind map.
 - Think of your **favourite film and your favourite TV series** and note down the **title**, the **genre**, **what they are about** and **why you like them** (Stichpunkte).
 - **Workbook S. 75 A2**
 - **Buch S. 99 A4 a), b), c)** in Stichpunkten
 - **Workbook S. 76 A3 a), b)**
 - **Workbook S. 77 A4**
- **In der nächsten Woche erhaltet ihr auf der Lernplattform weitere Informationen bezüglich der Abgabe und der Kontrolle der Lösungen!**

Text "Ramon Diaz"

Tapescript

Hi, my name is Ramon Diaz and I'm from Ventura, Southern California. Since my family and I moved here from Texas two years ago, all of my friends from elsewhere in the US have kept asking me the same questions over and over again.

For starters, we don't all go surfing or lie on the beach all the time, and not everyone has a pool in their backyard. It's true, there are some cool places for surfers. Ventura, my home town, has got some great surfing spots, but most of my schoolmates have never stood on a surfboard in their lives.

And we don't all look like Hollywood stars either, although Californians have a reputation for being really into fitness and healthy living. Especially here in the LA area, looking fit and healthy is very important to many people, especially if they hope to start a career in the entertainment industry.

That's another point. Although I'm just about an hour away from Hollywood, I have never tried acting or been to a TV show. It's probably much easier to go to such shows and sit in the audience here than in the rest of the US, but it's very difficult to get tickets for the really interesting ones.

You sometimes see people from films or TV. Actually, I don't, because I never recognize them, but my friends do. But we have never seen anyone really famous.

But there are some really cool places you can visit, like Universal Studios, for instance. It's a theme park where you can look at film sets and there are some rides as well. Everybody keeps asking me about Disneyland, that's not far from here either, but Disneyland is really for kids. What lots of people don't realize is that California is basically two different states in one. For some, it is really important to make it clear that they are from SoCal – Southern California – or from NorCal – Northern California. Southern California is probably closer to what you think of when you watch TV shows and films. It's getting more and more Mexican as well. There are so many Hispanics from Mexico or other Latin American countries here that you needn't speak English to get by. Everyone should know at least a little Spanish here. I wouldn't go to the Mexican border, though. San Diego is fine ... especially if you love animals, there is a fantastic zoo and SeaWorld ... but everything beyond that is not for me. There is a lot of police because of the illegal immigrants and drugs that cross the border.

Northern California is quite different. The landscape is much greener. San Francisco is definitely the place to go. There are many sights that practically everyone has heard of – the Golden Gate Bridge, the cable cars or Alcatraz prison. It's got quite a rich and interesting history, too. It became big in the 19th century because of the Gold Rush. And big business has stayed in the area. Even today you can find some of the biggest high-tech companies around San Francisco, especially in Silicon Valley. Google, Apple, Tesla, Facebook – these are just some names you have probably heard before.

Whereas the south of California is more about skateboarding, surfing and the music that goes with that, people in the North still talk about the Summer of Love in 1967 when hippies got together in San Francisco. At about the same time San Francisco developed into a center of the gay rights movement. That's why today some people call California the Land of Fruits and Nuts – the land of gays and crazy people. But who cares? We are truly a state where freedom and new and creative ideas are at home. So it's no surprise that green technology plays an important part in California's economy.

The only thing that worries all Californians is natural disasters. In 1906 San Francisco was hit by one of the worst earthquakes in US history. People all across California worry that this might happen again some day. At the moment wildfires have been a greater risk for people, especially in the very dry climate of Southern California.