

### 1. We love LA!

On September 4<sup>th</sup>, 1781, a small town (which we now know as Los Angeles) was founded in southern California by governor Felipe de Neve. It has since grown into a huge metropolis famous for its movie connections as well as its agricultural industry, which thrives under the Californian sun. Click here and learn a little more

<http://www.insideout.net/warehouse/worksheets/Sept/IO112S-1a.pdf>

### Level

Upper Intermediate and above

### How to use the lesson

1. Tell the class you are going to give them some information about Los Angeles, but that the story is in three parts. Each student in the class will have one third of the story to read.
2. Divide the class into groups of three and give each group a copy of Worksheet A divided into three parts, A, B and C.
3. Tell the students they have four minutes to read their part of the story, after which time they are going to answer some questions about it.
4. After four minutes, give each group one copy of Worksheet B. Tell them they have to work together to answer the questions.
5. Check answers in open class.

### Answers

1. Arnold Schwarzenegger
2. El Pueblo de Nuestra Señora la Reina de Los Angeles
3. In 1781
4. Muesli (You may wish to explain to your students that the colloquial meaning of *fruit and nut* is *crazy person* and the colloquial meaning of a *flake* is *someone who behaves unconventionally or irrationally*.)
5. Twenty-two
6. 1850
7. Universal Studios and Disneyland
8. Felipe de Neve
9. Any two of these: Sunset Strip, Melrose Avenue, Rodeo Drive
10. Any two of these: City of Angels, Southland, Lalaland, El Pueblo
11. Marilyn Monroe
12. James K. Hahn
13. \$100,000
14. 1932 and 1984
15. Gray Davis

## 2. Related Websites

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

<http://www.latimes.com/>

LA Times newspaper – check out what's in the news

<http://www.latourist.com/>

Lots of information for the tourist visiting LA

<http://www.usc.edu/isd/archives/la/>

A look at LA's past, present and future

<http://ktla.trb.com/news/local/la-me-circus7aug07012425,0.7014474.story?coll=ktla-home-1>

Comment on the political goings on in California

<http://www.seeing-stars.com/>

All the news about the stars, where they shop, eat etc.