Planning Where to Go

Before going on vacation, you should consider these questions in order to focus your ideas. If you are traveling with a group of people, it may be helpful to think through these questions together.

- If I had a limited time to tour the U.S. what states would I want to see?
- What are the most important cities to visit? What must I see?
- When is the best time to go to these cities?
- How will I get around the city?
- What is the best way to get there?
- Where will I stay?
- Pick 5–10 of the most important sites to see in the U.S. Think in terms of natural phenomena, monuments, museums, theatres, etc.
- How can I keep the cost of travel down? Realistically, how much money will I spend on a week vacation?
- Once I am in a city, how do I figure out what to do, where to go, where to stay?
- What travel guides should I use?
- What must I not forget to pack?
- Where should I keep my money and valuable possessions when I travel?
- Where should I go on spring break or for my summer vacation?
- How many people should I travel with?
- What safety issues must I be aware of (where not to go alone, where not to go at night, etc.)?

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