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### Week 7 - Geography & Historic Landmarks

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#### **Word List** Voice: Female

- 1. Village
- 2. Stream
- 3. Mountain
- 4. Colorado
- 5. Boston

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Welcome to today's short passage.

**Short Passage Voice: Female** 

The White House, the official residence of the president, is at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, DC. The site, covering about 18 acres, was selected by President Washington. The name "White House," however, was not used officially until President Theodore Roosevelt had it engraved on his stationery in 1901. Prior to that, the building was known as the "President's Palace," the "President's House," and the "Executive Mansion." In all, there are 132 rooms, 35 bathrooms, 28 fireplaces, 8 staircases, and 3 elevators.

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Welcome to today's long passage.

Long Passage Voice: Male

Grand Canyon National Park was created on February 26, 1919 by an act of Congress. First protected in 1893 as a forest reserve and re-designated a National Monument in 1908.

The park is dominated by the spectacular Grand Canyon: a twisting, 1 mile deep and 276 mile long gorge, formed during some 6 million years of geologic activity and erosion by the Colorado River on the raised Earth's crust. It divides the park into the North Rim and South Rim which overlook the 656 to 98 foot wide canyon; the buttes, spires, mesas and temples in the canyon are in fact mountains looked down upon from the rims. Ongoing erosion by the seasonal and permanent rivers produces impressive waterfalls and rapids of washed-down boulders along the length of the canyon and its tributaries. Exposed horizontal geologic strata in the canyon span millions of years of geologica



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history, providing evidence of the four major geological eras, early and late Precambrian, Palaeozoic, Mesozoic and Cenozoic.

The first fossil evidence appears in the late Precambrian Bass Limestone with remains of early plant forms. Subsequent strata dating from the Palaeozoic era catalogue the sequence of local history, with both marine and terrestrial fossils demonstrating the periods in the distant past when the whole region was alternately submerged and raised. The Mesozoic era is less well illustrated within the park, but tracks made by early reptiles are found to the east in the Navajo Indian reservation. They are a few fossil remains of mammals from the early Cenozoic.

Over 1,000 plant species have so far been identified from the park. There are 11 plant species listed as threatened in the United States statutes in the park. In addition, 15 plant species are recommended for consideration as threatened species under the Endangered Species Act.

Concerning the fauna, 76 mammals, 299 birds, and 41 reptile and amphibian species have been identified from the park and some 16 fish species inhabit the Colorado River and its tributaries. Rare or threatened birds are listed under the United States Endangered Species Act of 1973.

The park contains more than 2,600 documented prehistoric ruins; including evidence of Archaic cultures (the earliest known inhabitants).

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