

Δ Melting Pot



The **term** melting pot is **strongly associated with** the United States. The U.S. is a melting pot of **people** from different cultures and **races**. **Throughout** the U.S. **you will notice differences** in the way people **live, eat and even talk**.

While American English is **generally standard**, American **speech** can **differ according to** what part of the **country** you are in.

Certain **traits** and **personalities** are also **connected** with certain regions. Westerners are **known as** the **least** traditional of Americans, and the **most tolerant** of **change** and differences. Midwesterners are known for being **honest, straightforward** people of traditional **values**.

The southwest has had the least influence by European immigrants. Much of its culture **has been defined** by native Americans and by the Spanish.

Southerners are **probably** the most **distinctive** of all American regional groups, with more **relaxed attitudes** and traditional ways than their **neighbors** to the north. They are known for their **hospitality**.

The Northeast is well known for its culture with excellent theaters and **museums**. It is also **regarded** for its educational system with some of the most **highly rated** and **respected** universities in the country. This region is also known for its large **mix** of **ethnic groups**.

Every time we speak, we **say volumes** about where we are from; the **neutral tones** of the Midwest, the **rapid speech** of New York City, the **long drawl** that **characterizes** the South. If you say a **certain word** or **phrase**, people will **most likely** be able to **guess** where you are from.

term: término
strongly: fuertemente
associated with: asociados con
people: personas
races: razas
throughout: por todos
you will notice: tú notarás
differences: diferencias
way: forma
live/to live: vive/vivir
eat/to eat: come/comer
even: incluso
talk/to talk: habla/hablar
while: aunque
generally: generalmente
standard: estándar
speech: habla
differ: diferir
according to: dependiendo de
country: país
traits: rasgos
personalities: personalidades
connected/to connect: conectadas/
conectar
known as: conocidos como
least: menos
most tolerant: más tolerantes
change: cambio
honest: honesta
straightforward: directa
values: valores
has been defined/to define: ha sido
definida/definir
probably: probablemente
distinctive: distintivo, característico
relaxed attitudes: actitudes relajadas
neighbors: vecinos
hospitality: hospitalidad
museums: museos
regarded: respetado, estimado
highly rated: altamente valoradas
respected: respetadas
mix: mezcla
ethnic groups: grupos étnicos
every time: cada vez
say/to say: decimos/decir
volumes: mucho
neutral tones: tonos neutrales
rapid speech: habla rápida
long drawl: largo acento arrastrado
characterizes/to characterize:
caracteriza/caracterizar
certain: cierta
word: palabra
phrase: frase
most likely: seguramente
guess: adivinar