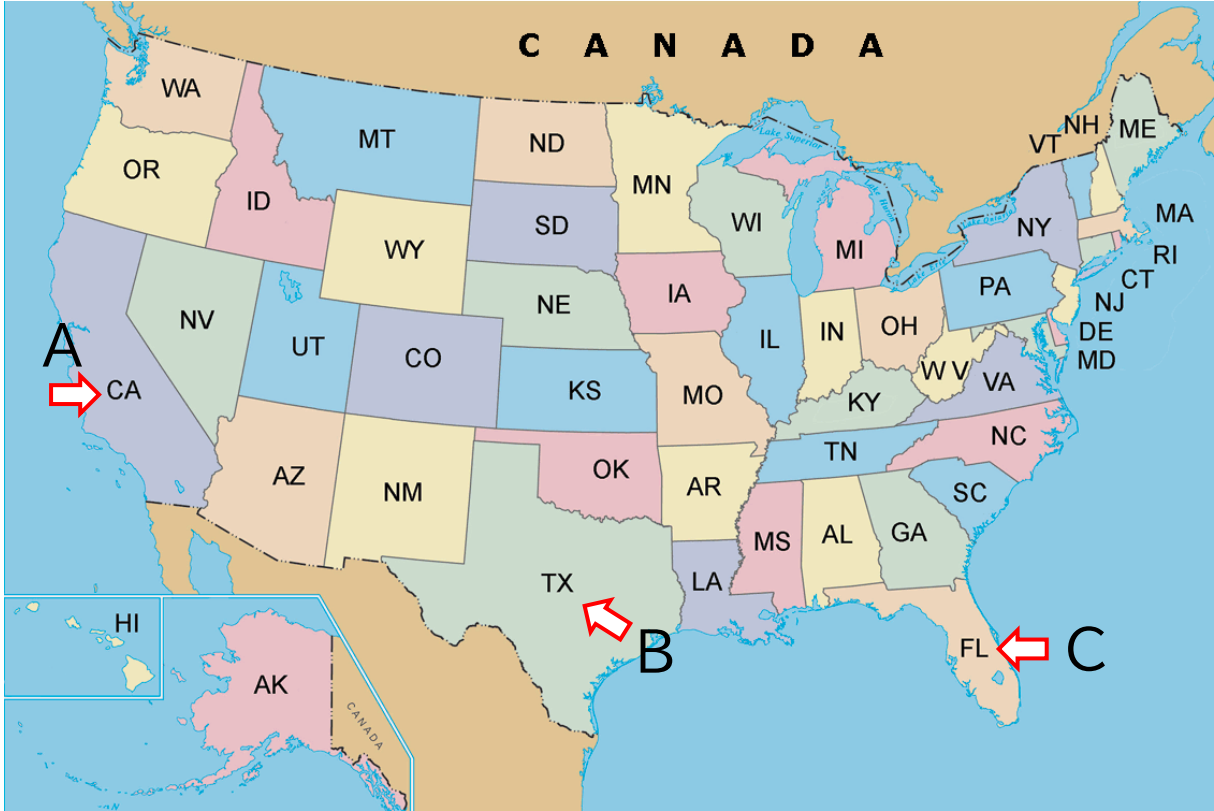


# A Happy Earth Day!

(意味の区切れで段落変え)

## 1. 大意をつかむ

★質問★ 「地球の日」が誕生するきっかけとなった場所はどこですか。



- ① Today is the 50th anniversary of Earth Day.
- ② It started in the U.S. after a terrible oil spill ("sekiyu ryushutsu") near Santa Barbara, California.
- ③ The oil spill killed many birds and sea animals.

④ At that time,

large American cities

such as Los Angeles and Denver

had very bad air.

⑤ People all over the country

came together

on April 22, 1970,

to ask the government

to protect the environment.

⑥ New laws were made

over the next few years.

⑦ Since then,

Earth Day has become

a global event.

⑧ Now people understand

how important the environment is,

not just in their own countries,

but all over the world.