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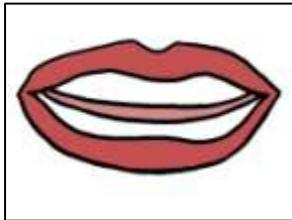
1 The city of Laguna Beach in California thinks of itself as “a resort for all seasons.” It is
2 easy to find. It is where Laguna Canyon Road meets the Pacific Coast Highway between the cities
3 of Newport Beach and Dana Point.

4 Originally, Laguna Beach was the home of the Shoshone people. Then the Spaniards and
5 other settlers arrived from the east. Painters were attracted to the region because of the scenic
6 ocean cliff and canyon views. Laguna Beach eventually became known as an art colony.

7 Its annual summer Festival of Arts began in 1932. That same year artist Lolita Perjine
8 started a show that became Roy Ropp’s grander “Pageant of the Masters,” which recreates
9 famous paintings with real people.

10 Main Beach Park is Laguna’s “Window to the Sea.” You can walk along the boardwalk
11 and watch people playing basketball and beach volleyball. A green flag at the lifeguard tower
12 means that it is safe to go into the water. On the far right side of the beach are tide pools. You
13 can see small crabs, sea anemones, and other marine creatures in them.

14 Across the street, there are art galleries, restaurants, boutiques, and a movie theater.
15 For the busiest part of summer, there is also free shuttle service throughout the city.



resort /rɪ-ˈzɔːrt/: (noun) a vacation spot
Dana Point /ˈdeɪ-nə ˈpɔɪnt/: a city in Southern California
Shoshone /ʃoʊ-ˈʃoʊ-ni:/: a Native American tribe
Spaniard /ˈspæn-jərd/: someone from Spain
scenic /ˈsiːn-ɪk/: of the beauty of nature
colony /ˈkɑ-lə-ni:/: people with a common interest who live in the same area
pageant /ˈpæ-dʒənt/: show with a procession or parade
sea anemone /siː ə-ˈne-mə-ni:/: looks like a flower with octopus tentacles
marine /mə-ˈriːn/: of the sea
boutique /bu-ˈtiːk/: a trendy shop
theater /ˈθiː-ə-tər/: a building for performances
shuttle /ˈʃʌ-təl/: a bus that travels a short distance