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Long, long ago on an adventure of two couples, Joseph and Elizabeth Rademacher and Bobby and Lydia Schiffler, came an island that was known to no one. Considering that it was unknown, they decided to name the island epoH after the inspirational word Hope. After exploring the treasured land of epoH for a few days, they ventured off into the Atlantic Ocean hoping to expand their geographical intelligence. Coincidently, they came upon a new chain of islands that later were named the maerD islands. The maerD islands were not far from epoH, in fact, a hop, skip, and a jump would land you right in the center of the chain. What later became a relaxing getaway, free from children and political society, changed into a dream vacation for many.

As the word spread about epoH and its luxurious landscape, many came to live out their lives. Now, about 8.5 million people currently reside in the country of epoH and often travel to the maerD islands. When first visiting the island, many people don't know what the landscape of epoH entails. The "dream getaway" of flowing rivers, thick forests, sandy beaches, and rich farmland turn into a reality once one ventures further inland. Due to the fact that it rains 40 percent of the time, the crops planted in the rich farmland produce abundantly. One downfall that may take a turn for the crops is the heat factor. The people of epoH occasionally deal with hot temperatures reaching up to 80 degrees Fahrenheit. The temperatures may put a damper on the crop production, but the people tend to get through the daily work very easily.

This hard work and crop production is a huge part of the trading industry of epoH.

Trading is a major role in how the necessities of life are obtained. The country of epoH trades with all of its neighboring countries. EpoHians are very hands-on and have built most of the buildings that tourists see on the island. They also grow a majority of their own food, reflecting

back on the rich farmland, but many of the tools are either traded for or bought. Hunting and fishing helps put the protein on the table. Although hunting and fishing is a reoccurring habit, epoHians don't hunt and fish everyday. Like the country we live in now, there are certain seasons for each animal, which acquires its own taste. Although hunting and fishing has become an easy habit, mechanized agriculture has helped the farmers out the most. They get done faster allowing them to avoid the blazing rays of the sun and rest up for the next day's activities.

Mechanized industrial activities, like the agricultural actions, have helped ease the lifestyles of the epoHians. Not only did it reduce time consumption, it made life a lot easier. Without hospitals and schools the population would drastically decrease. The doctors protect and heal us when in need. Schools educate the students greatly so that they can turn into doctors and nurses so that they can save the lives in the future. EpoH believes in the 'no child left behind' act that was adopted from the United States of America when our ancestors discovered the land.

Transportation is always an important aspect in every society. In order for the population to get to get around, they need to have some way of movement. Similar to the U.S., there are automobiles, bikes, and walking paths that can get you from point A to point B. Also, since epoH is highly known for their agriculture, they have a wide variety of farm equipment.

Like, agriculture, family is of high value in epoH. This includes nuclear and some extended. Holidays are meant for extended family and weekends are for the nuclear. Now, everyone knows not every family is alike and many engage in domestic violence, so epoH has policemen and firefighters to stop the outrages. In order to receive these jobs, they have to have an education. Education is the main object of getting a career started. The only way to get a job in epoH is to have a high school diploma. You start out with being in elementary school, then to middle school, and then on to high school. Once they graduate and get a high school diploma,

many seek a college degree to enhance their educational status. Sports are another thing schools encourage everyone to participate in. We have epoHian football, which is just like American football, baseball, softball, volleyball, gymnastics, and water sports. As one can tell, having fun and being determined is a huge part of being an epoHian.

Now we know that there are a lot of different religions in the world, but epoH has only one, and that is Christianity. There are many different ways to practice this religion but all the epoHians believe in only one god which sometimes produces political disputes. We here in the country of epoH and the maerD islands are all democrats. This means the people and the government have a say. The way that epoH came up with this ideology dates back to Joseph. Elizabeth, Bobby and Lydia. They were democrats and since they were the founders, what they say, goes. This theory leads to the idea of a mixed economy. This means that the people and the government combine their ideas in order to enable a good way of life for everyone. Education and hobbies are a huge impact on the mixed economy. Education, the main thing everyone focuses on in life, goes into how you handle every procedure. You must have good social skills and artistic ability to succeed as an epoHian because we like to show our creative side, whether it's painting, drawing, or sculpting. Many of us take for granted the material objects that are given, which means the economy tackles that subject next. Lastly, there is religion and other basic needs in life. They are last because it is very hard to change the establishment of the fore founders that originally came from the United States of America.

Although epoH is located in-between South America and Africa, our native language is English. As of the last census taken, there are no other known languages spoken in epoH.

Language is the main artistic expression that is seen throughout the country. Whether this expression is through poems, literature, or freedom of speech, language holds a high value.

Artwork, such as paintings and sculptures portray little expression in epoH, but it is taken into moderate consideration. To express your ideas is a key component in life, we must be able to express ourselves but we need to know when things get out of hand we must stop.

So far, only a few bad things have occurred in epoH. One is the war between Africa and epoH, all over who founded the maerD islands first. Truth is, epoH found it first, but after all of the popularity the maerD islands were getting, Africa went crazy. It made all the epoHians realize what could happen if we lost one of the major tourist attractions and sacred parts connected with epoH. Another bad event is the flood of May. A record-breaking rainfall flooded everything causing all of us to rush to high elevation, which was hard due to the fact that there isn't much in epoH. The country was able to bounce back from both devastations and now know where the highest land is and how to handle a large predicament like the war. The third and most recent occurrence that happened was the shootings at Compack. Basically, a new coworker was harassing and joking around with others, when the employees started to tell him not to say what he was saying. He got mad and started a shooting escapade the following day. Although only one person died and a few injured, the impact on the country of epoH was drastic. The way people treat each other today has completely changed.

Now that you know more about epoH specifically and the mysterious maerD islands, we the people of epoH would love for you and your family to come and join in the festivities and quality lifestyle. With the maerD islands' not being far away, your "dream vacation" is right across the ocean. All we ask is to leave your children at home and come enjoy the sun.