Living in California? – for and against

Everyone knows California from movies and TV shows. Next to New York it is probably the best-known part of the USA. *If you discuss the question whether* living in California is a good idea or not, *you might think that it will be a very short and easy discussion because there are not many arguments against it.* *Of course, many people would say* they would love to live there. *However, there are also quite a few arguments* against living in California.

It is a fact that California is a very dangerous place because of the many earthquakes in this area. *Not only that, but* there are also many forest fires because the climate is usually very hot, and there is not a lot of rain.

What we also must not forget is that there are many problems in the big cities, *e.g.* drugs and gangs. *Of course,* a lot of rich people live in California, but you can also find many poor and also homeless people there.

On the other hand there are good reasons for living in California.

First of all the weather is very good most time of the year – it is very sunny and warm. *Another important aspect is* that you can enjoy the great weather when you go to one of the many beaches*, e.g.* Venice Beach or Malibu Beach. *What we also must not forget* are the theme parks and other attractions that California has to offer.

Weighing all the pros and cons I come to the conclusion that it is very easy to decide whether I would like to live in California. *One might argue that* the danger of earthquakes is a strong argument against living there*, but I cannot share this view*. *In my opinion* things like that can happen in other parts of the world, too. *There is no doubt that most people would like* to live in California because of the weather and the beaches, *and I am one of them*.