

# Topic

## **Introduction**

*The attacks (atacks) on September 11, 2001 were a series of suicide attacks that involved the hijacking of four passenger planes from 19 members of Al-Qaeda (Alcaída) group. They were divided into four groups of hijackers, each with a pilot.*

*The first two planes crashed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center.*

*The third plane crashed in the corner of the Pentagon in Virginia (Virzchinia). The fourth plane not crash on any objective because the crew tried to recover the control, and because that, it crashed in an open camp in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.*

*Besides the 19 hijackers, 2973 people dead and 24 people are still missing.*

## **Attacks (Atácks)**

*Early in the morning on September 11, 2001, nineteen hijackers took control of four commercial airliners en route to **San Francisco and Los Angeles from Boston , Newark , and Washington D.C. .***

*The **American Airlines Flight 11** was crashed into the World Trade Center's North Tower, followed by **United Airlines Flight 175** which hit the South Tower. Another group of hijackers flew **American Airlines Flight 77** into the Pentagon . A fourth flight, **United Airlines Flight 93** crashed near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, because the crew recover the control of the flight.*

***Khalid Sheikh Mohammed** , organiser of the attacks, mentioned in a 2002 interview with **Yosri Foua** , an **al Jazeera** journalist, that Flight 93's target was the United States Capitol , which was given the code name "the Faculty of Law".*

## **The collapse of World Trade Center**

*Three buildings (bildings) in the World Trade Center complex collapsed (collápsed) due to structural (stráctural) failure on the day of the attacks.*

*The South Tower fell aproximately at ten o' clock, after being on fire for 56 minutes in a fire caused by the impact (ímpact) of the **United Airlines Flight 175** at nine o' clock.*

*The North Tower fell at half past ten, after being on fire for 102 minutes in a fire caused by the impact of the **American Airlines Flight 11**.*

## **Rebuilding**

*On the day of the attacks, New York City mayor Rudy Giuliani proclaimed, "We will rebuild. We're going to come out of this stronger than before, politically stronger, economically stronger. The skyline will be made whole again." On the sites of the totally destroyed buildings, one, 7 World Trade Center , has a new office tower <http which was completed in 2006. The 1 World Trade Center is currently under construction at the site upon completion in 2011, will become the one of the tallest buildings in North America, behind the Chicago Spire and the CN Tower in Toronto . Three more towers were expected to be built between 2007 and 2012 on the site, and will be located one block east of where the original towers stood.*

*The damaged section of the Pentagon was rebuilt and occupied within a year of the attacks.*

## **Reasons**

*According to the findings of official investigations by the U.S. government the reasons were that:*

- **Support U.S. military to Israel.***
- U.S. aggression against the people of Iraq.*
- Steals resources of Arabia.*

## **Anthrax attacks**

*One week after the 11-S began a series of terrorist attacks using Anthrax, a deadly bacteria. During the course of several weeks, the terrorists used the mail to expose the*

***Anthrax to journalists, politicians and civil employees in **New York, New Jersey, Washington DC and Florida**. A total of 22 people were contaminated with Anthrax, of whom five died.***