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## INTRODUCING SOUTH AMERICA

### PLACES, REGIONS, AND LANDSCAPES

- Use the information on page 111 to determine if the following statements are true or false. Write T in front of the sentence if it is true and F if it is false.
  - The Andes Mountains are the longest range in South America.
  - Lake Maracaibo is the highest lake in South America.
  - The Amazon is South America's longest river.
  - Argentina is South America's largest country.
  - French Guiana is South America's most densely populated country.
  - South America's largest urban area is in Brazil.

- Use the information on page 111 to answer the following questions. Circle the correct answer under each question.
  - In which South American country is the world's highest waterfall located?  
Brazil      Venezuela      Peru      Chile
  - What is South America's highest peak?  
Aconcagua      Ojos del Salado      Mt. Chimborazo      Mt. Roraima
  - What is South America's largest island?  
San Ambrosio      Tierra del Fuego      San Felix      Trinidad
  - Which of the following is South America's highest large lake?  
Lake Poopo      Lake Maracaibo      Fernas Reservoir      Lake Titicaca
  - Which is the second-longest river in South America?  
Parana River      Paraguay River      Parnaiba River      Purus River

- Use the information on page 111 to answer the following questions.
  - About how many times larger is South America than the contiguous United States? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Which ocean borders South America's two largest countries? \_\_\_\_\_

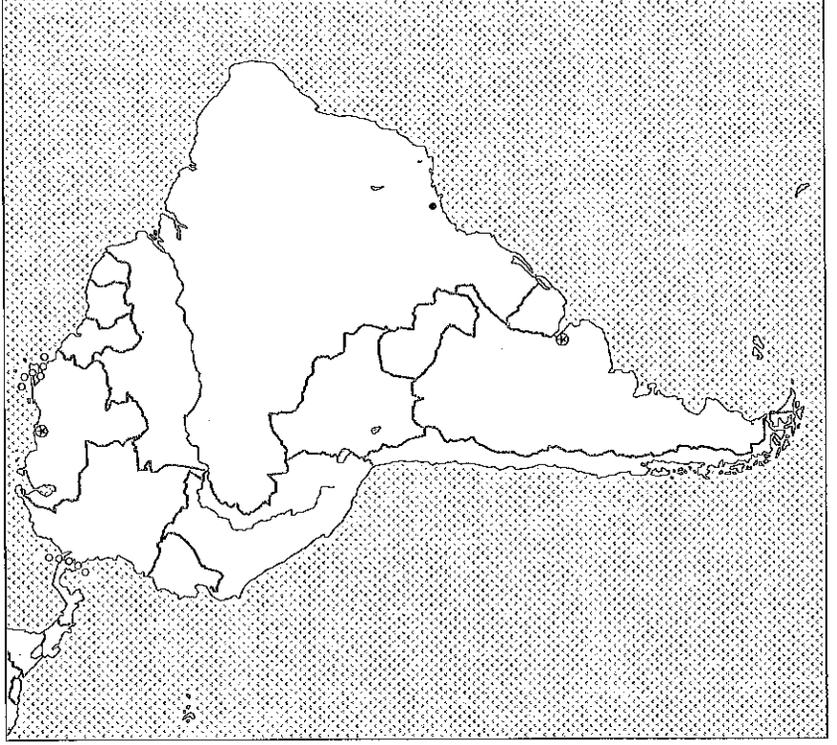


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### LOCATION

- Turn to the Political Relief Map of South America on page 112. Look carefully at the locations of countries, cities, and bodies of water.
  - Close your Atlas and label the following places on the map below.
 

Chile	Caracas, Venezuela	Atlantic Ocean
Bolivia	Sao Paulo, Brazil	Amazon River
Colombia	Buenos Aires, Argentina	Lake Maracaibo
  - Open your Atlas and make any necessary corrections.



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## PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

### PLACES, REGIONS, AND LANDSCAPES

1. Use the Land Cover Map of South America on page 113 to match the following places in South America with their predominant land cover.

Places in South America	Land Cover
a. Patagonia •	• Tundra
b. Amazon Basin •	• Tropical rain forest
c. Llanos •	• Semi-desert & desert
d. Sucre, Bolivia •	• Grassland

2. Use the Elevation Map of South America and Cross Section on page 114 to determine if the following statements are true or false. Write **T** in front of the sentence if it is true and **F** if it is false.

- \_\_\_\_\_ The highest elevation in South America is in the Andes Mountains.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Most of the Amazon River flows through an area with an elevation of 0 to 500 feet above sea level.
- \_\_\_\_\_ South America's elevation is generally higher in the west than the east.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Buenos Aires, Argentina, has a higher elevation than Bogota, Colombia.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Most of South America's high ground is centered in the middle of the continent.

### USES OF GEOGRAPHY

- ★ 3. Use Altitude Zones in the Andes on page 115 to answer the following questions.
- If you lived at 13,000 feet in the Andes, would you more likely work as a farmer or a herder? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would a farmer who prefers warmer weather be more likely to grow bananas or potatoes? \_\_\_\_\_

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## ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY

4. Use the Precipitation map on page 115 and the Elevation Map of South America on page 114 to complete the following sentences.

- The coast of Peru receives an average of \_\_\_\_\_ inches of precipitation per year.
- Suriname and French Guiana both receive \_\_\_\_\_ inches of rain per year.
- Most rainfall in South America is (*direction*) \_\_\_\_\_ of the Andes Mountains.
- Uruguay receives an average of \_\_\_\_\_ inches of precipitation per year.

5. Use the Climate map and Climographs on page 115 to decide if the following places are in tropical, dry, or mild regions. Write **T** for tropical, **D** for dry, or **M** for mild next to each region below.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Coast of Peru
- \_\_\_\_\_ Uruguay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Belem, Brazil
- \_\_\_\_\_ Most of Venezuela

- ★ 6. Use the graphs and text on page 120 to answer the following questions. Circle the correct answer under each question.

- About what fraction of Brazil's land cover is rain forest?  
one-half      two-thirds      three-fourths      four-fifths
- About how many times larger is Brazil's world percentage of carbon dioxide from land use change than its world percentage of land area?  
two times      three times      four times      six times
- If harvesting rain forest products can earn 40 times as much as herding cattle, which is the more likely reason ranchers continue deforesting?  
Ranchers don't care about the environment.  
Ranchers are more familiar with raising cattle.

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## HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

### HUMAN SYSTEMS

1. Use the Land Use map on page 116 to match the following places in South America with their predominant land use.

#### Places in South America

- a. Northern Chile •
- b. Lima, Peru •
- c. Southern Argentina •
- d. Most of Colombia •
- e. Banks of the Amazon •

#### Land Use

- Urban
- Subsistence farming
- Ranching or herding
- Forestry
- No widespread use

### USES OF GEOGRAPHY

2. Use the Balance of Trade graphs, the Geode, and the photo caption on page 116 to determine if the following statements are true or false. Write T in front of the sentence if it is true and F if it is false.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ The European Union is a larger trading partner with Chile than the United States.
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ Chile exports more to Japan and China than to Argentina and Brazil.
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ Chile exports less than it imports.
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ Venezuela is the second largest exporter of oil in the world.
- e. \_\_\_\_\_ Ethanol is cleaner and cheaper to produce than gasoline.

3. Use the Energy Resources and Metals map on page 116 to answer the following questions. Circle the correct answer under each question.

- a. Which country has the most uranium resources?  
Peru      Venezuela      Brazil      Argentina
- b. Which country has the most aluminum (bauxite) resources?  
Suriname      Uruguay      Paraguay      Bolivia
- c. Which country has the most copper resources?  
Colombia      Chile      Ecuador      Guyana

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4. Use the Natural Population Growth graph on page 117 to complete the following.

- a. Bolivia, Brazil, and Peru each have \_\_\_\_\_ rates which are more than twice as high as their \_\_\_\_\_ rates.
- b. The birth rate of \_\_\_\_\_ is three times higher than its death rate.
- c. Of the three countries on the graph, \_\_\_\_\_ is the only one with a birth rate lower than the world average.
- d. For every 1,000 people in Peru, \_\_\_\_\_ are born and \_\_\_\_\_ die each year.
- e. The world and \_\_\_\_\_ share the same population growth rate percentage.

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5. Use the Population map on page 117 to sequence the following areas of South America in order of population density, with 1 representing the most densely populated area and 5 the least.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ Most of western Ecuador
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ Most of Uruguay
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ Santiago, Chile
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ Most of southern Argentina
- e. \_\_\_\_\_ Along most of Brazil's northern coast

- ★ 6. Use the Descendants of Indigenous South Americans map and the Geode on page 117 to answer the following questions.

- a. Which two countries have the highest percentage of indigenous descendants?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- b. Why do you think those two countries have the highest percentage?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. Why is there a higher percentage of mulattos than mestizos in French Guiana?  
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## REGIONS

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1. Use the Political Relief Map of Northwestern South America on page 118 to answer the following questions. Circle the correct answer under each question.

- What is the elevation of Mount Chimborazo?  
9,094 feet      16,411 feet      20,702 feet      22,205 feet
- Which of the following cities has the largest population?  
Cuzmaná, Venezuela      Cali, Colombia      Manta, Ecuador      Iquitos, Peru
- Which river flows through Venezuela?  
Maranon River      Amazon River      Caqueta River      Orinoco River
- Which country has the longest coast line?  
Peru      Ecuador      Colombia      Venezuela
- Which country does the Equator NOT pass through?  
Ecuador      Colombia      Venezuela      Brazil

2. Use the Political Relief Map of Southern South America on page 118 to complete the following sentences.

- The Atacama Desert is located in the country of \_\_\_\_\_ and Brazil.
- Mirim Lake is located between \_\_\_\_\_ and Brazil.
- Patagonia and the Pampas are located in \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Pilcomayo River flows along \_\_\_\_\_ southwestern border.

### LOCATION

3. Use both maps on page 118 to match the following South American cities with their correct countries.

Cities	Countries
a. Cordoba •	• Chile
b. Medellin •	• Peru
c. Trujillo •	• Argentina
d. Puerto Montt •	• Colombia



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4. Use the Political Relief Map of Brazil and Its Neighbors on page 119 to sequence the following cities in order from north to south, with **1** representing the northernmost city and **5** the southernmost.

- La Paz, Bolivia
- Montevideo, Uruguay
- Georgetown, Guyana
- Sao Paulo, Brazil
- Manaus, Brazil

5. Use the map on page 119 to determine if the following statements are true or false. Write **T** in front of the sentence if it is true and **F** if it is false.

- Sucre, one of the capitals of Bolivia, has a larger population than Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay.
- Antofagasta, Chile, is closer to the Tropic of Capricorn than Curitiba, Brazil.
- The Parana River flows through Brazil and Argentina.
- The Mouths of the Amazon River are near the Equator.
- The Amazon Basin is southeast of the Brazilian Highlands.

### USES OF GEOGRAPHY

\*6. Use the Ethnic Composition graphs on page 119 and the maps on pages 118-119 to answer the following questions.

- Why do you think there is a higher percentage of people of European and African ethnicity in Brazil than Peru?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Do you think the Quechuas live nearer the Pacific Coast or the Atlantic Coast?  
\_\_\_\_\_

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# COMPARE POINTS OF VIEW

Issues Today in this atlas present two points of view on a topic.

## EXAMINE BOTH SIDES OF THE ISSUE

**1.** Turn to page 120 of the Atlas. Read the title and introduction.

a. What is the topic of this Issues Today article?

\_\_\_\_\_

b. Read “Deforestation has a disastrous impact on the environment.” Choose two points that author made and add them to the chart below. Also list one or two pieces of the strongest evidence that the author had for each point.

c. Read “Deforestation is necessary for the economy.” Choose two points and add them to the chart. Also list the strongest evidence for each point.

<b>Deforestation has a disastrous impact on the environment.</b>	<b>Deforestation is necessary for the economy.</b>
Point #1:  Evidence:	Point #1:  Evidence:
Point #2:  Evidence:	Point #2:  Evidence:

## COMPARE THE ARGUMENTS

**2.** Review your chart. Compare the points the two authors made.

a. Put stars ★ in front of the two pieces of evidence that you feel are strongest.

b. Read the two claims on page 120 again. Based on the evidence, which side would you support?

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