

South America

Learning Objective:

To find out about the human geography of South America.

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What is the difference
between human geography
and physical geography?

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Physical geography looks at the physical structure and workings of the natural world, including mountains, seas, oceans, rivers, continents, landforms, glaciers, weather and climates.



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Human geography explores the people, communities and cultures of the world. This includes looking at different types of settlements, economics, populations, health, life expectancy and other ways in which human activity impacts the world.



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If we were going to research the human geography of South America, what questions could we ask?

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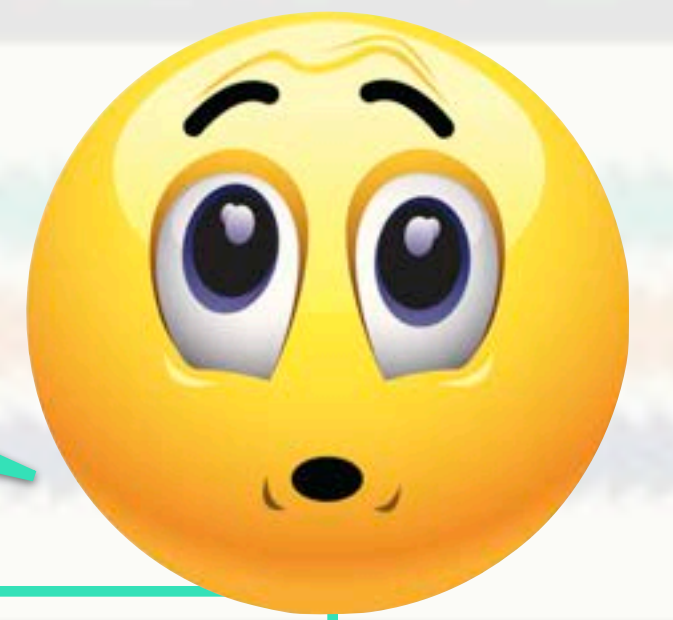


What ideas did you come up with?

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Did you think of these questions?



What are the tallest buildings?

What languages are spoken and why?

What is the average life expectancy?

What are the biggest capital cities?

What are the main religions?


What is the population of South America?

How do people earn a living?

Which country has the biggest and the smallest populations?

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Have a look at the
Population Sheet and a map
of South America. Use what you
already know about South
America to estimate which
population goes with which
country!

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195,632,000

10,517,000

47,130,000

6,849,000

41,350,000

3,297,000

30,476,000

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COUNTRY	POPULATION
Brazil	195,632,000
Colombia	47,130,000
Argentina	41,350,000
Peru	30,476,000
Venezuela	29,760,000
Chile	16,841,000
Ecuador	15,779,000
Bolivia	10,517,000
Paraguay	6,849,000
Uruguay	3,297,000
Guyana	798,000
Suriname	539,000
French Guiana	259,000
Falkland Islands	3,000

How many
did you get
right? One point
for each
correct
answer!



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