

South America

Lesson 2: Rainfall and Elevation

RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN PLACES

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1.		se the Growing Season map on page 58 to determine whether each of the following attements is true or false. Write T or F in the space provided.					
	a.	Plants grow all	year in the Andes Mountains				
	b.	b. Part of Peru has a growing season of less than three months.					
	C.	The growing season in most of northern South America is all year long.					
	d.	Southern Argentina's growing season is 8 to 12 months long.					
	e.	Most of Brazil's growing season is all year long.					
USING		OGRAPHY					
2	Us	Use the Cross Section of South America on page 58 to answer the following questions.					
	a. On the right side of the cross section are two degrees of latitude that represent the northern and southern boundaries. What are the latitudes?						
	oove sea level?						
	C.	c. Which country has more areas over 10,000 feet above sea level, Bolivia or Brazil?					
	d.	feet above sea level?					
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3.	 Use the Elevation map on page 58 to find the elevation of each landform listed below. Ci the correct elevation. 						
	a.	Amazon Basin	0 to 500 feet	2,000 to 5,000 feet			
	b.	Brazilian Highlands	500 to 1,000 feet	2,000 to 5,000 feet			
	C.	Andes Mountains	1,000 to 2,000 feet	Over 10,000 feet			
	d.	Patagonia	2,000 to 5,000 feet	Over 10,000 feet			

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500 to 1,000 feet

below sea level



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4. Use the Rainfall map on page 59 to identify, for each pair, the area that receives the most rainfall. Circle the correct answer.

a. along the Equator along the Tropic of Capricorn

b. southern Venezuela southern Argentina

c. western Peru eastern Peru

d. northern Chile southern Chile

e. eastern Brazil western Brazil

f. northern South America southern South America

PLACE

5.

	mpare the Shrinking Rain Forest map on page 59 with the Rainfall map. Use the pictures d information to answer the following questions.
a.	How many inches of rain does most of the Amazon rain forest receive per year?
b.	Is most of the Amazon rain forest found in northern or southern South America?
C.	Which South American country has the largest area of rain forest?
d.	Why are large areas of the Amazon rain forest being cleared?
е.	Would traveling through the rain forest be easier by boat or by car?
£.	Tropical rain forests are an important source of what?
8.	Which four countries in South America have areas that receive only 0 to 10 inches of rainfall a year?
i.	According to the caption under the photo of the Atacama Desert, this region can go without rain for years. In the Rainfall map legend, what color is used for this area?
3 pag. 6	The wettest places in South America get over 80 inches of rainfall per year. Look at the United States Rainfall map on page 44. How much rain does your area receive?



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Less	ion	ı 3	: Where People Live				
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	1.	. Use the Land Use map on page 60 to select the correct land use for the places described. Underline the place's main land use.					described.
		a.	Along most of the Amazon River:	nomadic herding		forest	ry
		b.	Southern Argentina:	ranching or herding		subsis	stence farming
		C.	Buenos Aires, Argentina:	no widespread use		urban	1
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	2.	Use the People per Car graph on page 60 to answer the following questions. Circle the correct answer.					Circle the
		a.	How many people are there per car is	n Bolivia?	7	15	54
		b.	How many people are there per car is	n Argentina?	2	7	15
		c.	Which country is wealthier?		Guyar	na	Argentina
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3. Use the Population map on page 61 to match each place with its popula the map on page 57 to help you locate places.				lation d	lensity. Refer to		
		Place		le per square mile			
		a.	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil •		• 0 to 5		
		b.	Manaus, Brazil •		over 2	250	
		c.	Most of southern Argentina •		∘ 100 to	250	
4.		Use the Urban Population circle graphs on page 61 to answer the following questions.					
		a. What percent of the people in Chile live in rural areas?					
		b. What percent of the people in Ecuador live in urban areas?					

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5.

Use Focus on Latin American on page 61 to complete the following sentences.				
Ĉ.	America and	America are part of Latin America.		
b.	This region is called Latin America because			

c. Which country has a higher rural population, Chile or Ecuador?



LOCATION

- **6.** Turn to the South America Political Map on page 57. Look carefully at the locations of countries, cities, and bodies of water.
 - a. Close your atlas and label the following places on the map below.

Brazil	Argentina	Atlantic Ocean
Peru	Sao Paulo	Pacific Ocean
Venezuela	Buenos Aires	Amazon River

b. Open your atlas and make any necessary corrections.

