Year	5:	Spring	term

Key Information		
Capital city	Brasilia.	
	Other cities: Rio de Janeiro , Sao Paulo	
Population	209.3 million (2017)	
Spoken language	Portuguese	
Currency	Brazilian real (BRL)	
Continent	South America	
Surrounding water	Atlantic ocean, which is east of Brazil Amazon river, runs through Brazil and is the largest river in the world by volume.	
12 countries belonging to South America	Argentina, Venezuela, Peru, Columbia, Bolivia, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, Brazil, Ecuador, Guyana and Suriname.	
Brazilian rainforests	Brazil contains 60% of the Amazon rainforest, which is the largest tropical jungle in the world.	
Weather and climate	The Brazilian winter lasts for only three months (roughly June to August) then summer arrives from around December until February. Brazil has an average winter temperature of 15 degrees Celsius whereas during the summer months, temperatures can reach 40 degrees	
Brazilian carnival	Carnivals are celebrated all around the country of Brazil, but they are most famous in Rio. It lasts for three days and people go to join in with singing, dancing, street parades and fancy costumes.	

Vocabulary		
Human features	Areas of land, which are synthetic/man-made. They take place from human ideas and actions.	
Physical features	These are physical characteristics of land and are the natural environment.	
Rainforest	One of the Earth's oldest living ecosystems. It is a tropical woodland with substantial rainfall.	
Fairtrade	Trade between companies in developed countries and producers in developing countries in which fair prices are paid to the producers.	
LEDC	Less Economically Developed Country (A poorer country)	
MEDC	More Economically Developed Country (A richer country)	
Agriculture	Growing plants and livestock	
Eco-system	A community or a group of living things	
Deforestation	Clearing a wide area of trees	

Key diagrams



A map of South
America showing the
countries and the Amazon rainforest



The flag of Brazil



Christ the Redeemer in Rio de Janeiro



A map of South America showing the Amazon river.