

# Yarm Primary School

Year 5

Geography: South America

Enquiry question: *How is South America so diverse?*

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**Sticky Knowledge**

**Continent**

A large area of land that consists of several countries.

**Equator**

The equidistance from the North Pole and the South Pole.

**Climate zones**

Patterns of similar weather.

**Population density**

A measure of population per area. (km<sup>2</sup>)

**Import**

Buying goods from another country.

**Export**

Providing goods to another country.

**Mountain range**

A group of connected mountains.

**Human features**

The man made features of a place.

**Physical features**

The natural features of a place

**Landlocked countries**

Countries that have other countries boarding them and not a major body of water. (e.g Paraguay and Bolivia)

After half term, we will be exploring some of the geographical aspects of South America. On the reverse, you will find some suggestions that you could carry out to enhance learning around this theme should you wish. These are just suggestions and you are more than welcome to add your own.



**Fun facts!**

- The Andes mountain range is also known as Ecuador's Avenue of the Volcanoes.
- Cotopaxi – the world's highest volcano at 5,897m tall- is just one of the many high peaks in the Avenue of the Volcanoes.



- South America is the fourth largest continent in the world and located in the Southern Hemisphere.
- There are 12 countries within South America - Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay and Venezuela.
- The continent of South America is named after the Italian explorer Amerigo Vespucci.
- South America is boarded by three major bodies: Pacific Ocean on the west, Caribbean Sea to the northwest and the Atlantic Ocean on the east.
- South America is home to the Amazon Rainforest, the Andes mountain range and Angel Falls, which is the highest waterfall in the world.
- Portuguese and Spanish are the main languages spoken in South America, although there about 450 recorded languages, making it one of the most linguistically diverse areas in the world.

Create a fact file about one of the native animals of South America.



The Incas were the largest group of indigenous people in South America. What can you find out about them or Machu Picchu?

South America has 12 different countries. Can you recreate some of their flags in a creative way?

Which country intrigues you the most and why? Can you create 5 questions about that country to form a class quiz?



Create a tourist leaflet for a country or famous landmark of your choice. Why should people visit there?

Rio de Janeiro Carnival is world famous. Create your own samba dance, a colourful costume or vibrant piece of music to celebrate.

Cook a South American inspired meal with your family.

