

Guided Reading Activity



Brazil

Lesson 3 *Life in Brazil*

Essential Question: What makes a culture unique?

People and Places

Directions: Complete the following statements about Brazilian people and the places they live.

1. Brazil's diverse population includes people with ancestors from _____
2. Brazil's largest African and mixed populations are in _____
3. Most Brazilians of European descent live in _____
4. Indigenous Native Americans live in _____
5. Today, 89 percent of Brazilians live in or near _____
6. About 17 million people live in and or near _____
7. Most of Brazil's large cities have shantytowns called favelas, where poor people live in shacks made of _____
8. In Rio de Janeiro, one of every three people lives in _____

People and Culture

Directions: Use your textbook to answer these questions about Brazil's culture.

1. What is "The Brazilian Way"? _____
2. What is the official language of Brazil? _____
3. What is the most common religion in Brazil? _____

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4. What other religions do people follow in Brazil? _____
5. What is Carnival? _____
6. What is the national dish of Brazil? _____
7. What is one way that life in Brazil's cities is different from life in the county?

8. What is Brazil's most popular sport? _____

Contemporary Brazil

Directions: Complete the table by listing the steps Brazil has taken to address each of the following challenges.

Challenges Facing Contemporary Brazil	Steps Brazil Has Taken to Address Each Challenge
Sixty percent of Brazilians have four years of schooling or less.	
Cities are overcrowded and many people in rural areas live in poverty.	
The country needs energy resources for continued economic development.	