

Latin America Review Guide

Physical information

1. What are the major Caribbean Islands? Be able to identify them on a map.
2. Where is Tierra del Fuego? How did it get its name?
3. What are 3 plains areas of South America? Where are each located?
4. Who are gauchos? Where do they live?
5. What are the 3 subregions of Latin America?
6. What are 3 ways to connect Latin America as a geographic region?
7. What are the other major landforms not mentioned in previous questions? Where are they located?
8. Study the maps of Latin America: Look at climates, vegetation, physical landforms, and bodies of water
9. Study the political map of the Caribbean Islands.

Culture and History

10. What 4 groups of people have had the greatest impact on culture in Latin America?
11. What does NAFTA stand for? Who is connected to this agreement? How is going to help all involved?
12. What is the history of the Treaty of Tordesillas? Who signed it and what did it establish?
13. What are the two major industries/businesses in Latin America?
14. How would you describe the education system in most of Latin America? Why is it in that situation?

Issues

15. What are some of the concerns with the increased level of deforestation? What is a plan to help resolve some of the deforestation in the region?
16. How can the formation of stable governments, especially in Central America and Caribbean, help things like education, infrastructure, trade, and medical care?
17. Why is the huge gap between rich and poor a major concern for Latin America? How might governments achieve a smaller gap in relation to land ownership?
18. What are the struggles in the political situation for much of Latin America? Prior to a push for democracy, what forms of government were and still are used in Latin America?