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## South America Facts to Know

Locate and identify the following on a map:

- Brazil
- The Amazon River and Amazon Rainforest
- Peru
- Chile
- The Andes Mountains
- Venezuela
- Colombia
- Bolivia
- Argentina
- The pampas (grassland) areas of Argentina
- Pacific Ocean, Atlantic Ocean, and the Equator

The main languages of South America are Spanish and Portuguese.

Bolivia is named after Simon Bolivar, known as the Liberator of South America. He liberated South America from Spain in 1824.

South America has a variety of physical features such as mountains, rivers, grasslands, and rainforests.

Brazil is the largest country in South America.

The Amazon River, which is located in Brazil, is the second largest river in the world.

The Amazon Rainforest covers more than half of Brazil. Scientists are concerned that destroying the rainforest will harm many plants, insects, and animal habitats.

The Andes Mountains are the longest mountain range in the Western Hemisphere.

An Argentinian cowboy is called a gaucho.

