

Year 6 Geography Knowledge Organiser

Term: Spring 2

Topic: South America

Strand: Locational Knowledge

Key facts that I will recall by the end of this unit

- Brazil is the largest country in South America and the 5th largest in the world.
- Like North America, South America is also a continent. It has 12 countries plus 2 regions that belong to European countries.
- Countries in South America have a variety of climates however countries in the Amazon basin (Amazon river) like Northern Brazil, Peru and Colombia are dominated by the rainforest and have hot and humid weather.
- The Equator runs through the north of the continent. The country Ecuador literally means equator in Spanish.
- Most of the South American continent is in the southern hemisphere.

continent	A large landmass made up of many countries.
longitude	Imaginary lines which run north to south across the globe from pole to pole.
latitude	Imaginary parallel lines which circle the globe from east to west.
Equator	The Equator is the imaginary line around the middle of the world.
topographical	Arrangement of physical features in an area.
Southern Hemisphere	The Southern Hemisphere is the half (hemisphere) of Earth that is south of the equator.
Northern Hemisphere	The Northern Hemisphere is the half (hemisphere) of Earth that is north of the equator.
environmental region	A place with its own nature/ecosystem that cannot be change.
oceans and coastlines	The coast is the margin of land next to an ocean.

Equator

