	Social Studies 6th Grade- Unit 4		
Elaborated Unit Focus	In this unit, students will understand how European contact changed the cultural landscape of Latin America. While the early civilizations were destroyed there remains some continuity seen through existing societies. Conflict & change are furthered through the ideas and impact of revolutionary leaders. Students will explore how the movement & migration of people during the building of colonial empires resulted in an economic and cultural legacy. Finally, students will identify political and physical features of the region, and determine how location impacts the development of Latin American countries, and how the Latin American countries impact their environment.		
Connection to Connecting Theme/Enduing Understandings	Location: The student will understand that location affects a society's economy, culture, and development. Human Environmental Interaction: The student will understand that humans, their society, and the environment affect each other. Movement/Migration: The student will understand that the movement or migration of people and ideas affects all societies involved. Culture: The student will understand that the culture of a society is the product of the religion, beliefs, customs, traditions, and government of that society Conflict and Change: The student will understand that when there is conflict between or within societies, change is the result.		
GSE for Social Studies (standards and elements)	 SS6G1 Locate selected features of Latin America. a. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map: Amazon River, Amazon Rainforest, Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Panama Canal, Andes Mountains, Sierra Madre Mountains, and Atacama Desert. b. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map the countries of Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico, and Panama. SS6G2 Explain the impact of environmental issues in Latin America. a. Explain the causes and effects of air pollution in Mexico City, Mexico. b. Explain the environmental issue of destruction of the rain forest in Brazil. SS6G3 Explain the impact of location, climate, distribution of natural resources, and population distribution on Latin America. a. Explain how the location, climate, and distribution of natural resources impact trade and affect where people live in Mexico, Brazil, and Cuba. SS6H1 Explain conflict and change in Latin America. a. Describe the influence of African slavery on the development of the Americas. b. Describe the influence of the Spanish and the Portuguese on the language and religions of Latin America. 		

	Reading Skills
	L6-8RHSS1: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary
	sources.
	L6-8RHSS7: Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps)
Connection to Literacy	with other information in print and digital texts.
Standards for Social	Writing Skills
Standards (reading and /or	L6-8WHST4: Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and
writing)	style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
	L6-8WHST7: Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question),
	drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple
	avenues of exploration.
	L6-8WHST9: Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis reflection, and research.
	Map and Globe Skills
	6. use map key/legend to acquire information from historical, physical, political, resource,
	product, and economic maps.
	7. use a map to explain impact of geography on historical and current events.
Connection to Social Studies	8. draw conclusions and make generalizations based on information from maps
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processing and/or map and	determine changes, identify trends, and generalize about human activities.
globe skills)	11. compare maps with data sets (charts, tables, graphs) and /or readings to draw conclusions
	and make generalizations.
	Information Processing Skills
	6. identify and use primary and secondary sources.
	11. Draw conclusions and make generalizations.

	Essential Questions and Related Supporting/Guiding Questions	
Enduring Understanding • Location	Why does location matter? 1. How does location affect where people live? 2. How does location affect trade? 3. How does location help or hinder a country's development?	
Enduring UnderstandingHuman Environment Interaction	Whose problem is it? 1. How can progress cause problems? 2. How does location play a part in environmental issues? 3. Why is cooperation needed for solving environmental issues?	
 Enduring Understandings Movement/Migration Culture Conflict and Change 	How does society reflect diverse cultures? 1. How does movement and migration change a country's culture? 2. How do one's beliefs shape a society? 3. How does conflict lead to change in a society?	

Sample Instructional Activities/Assessments

Where Am I?

- 1. Using the political and physical maps, have students label the countries and features in the elements.
 - a. Physical Maps *Appendix A* C
 - b. Political Maps Appendix D H

Extension Ideas: (Choose one or provide as a choice for students.)

- 1. Have students work in groups and assign one of the physical features. Have them research their physical feature to provide a brief overview of the feature by completing the Physical Feature pyramid. Students can create these on larger sheets of paper. You can give each group 10 pieces of blank paper and a large sheet of paper to create a large version of the pyramid. By doing it this way group members can work on pyramid pieces at the same time. (Appendix D)
- 2. Be the thing Students will imagine that they are the physical feature and write a description of "themselves" as the feature. They must have a balance of evidence that describes the feature, explains its importance, or for what it known. One way to think about this is that students are being asked to learn about this physical feature so why do they think they need to learn about the feature. Their response should be at least 2 paragraphs.

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	Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Panama Canal, Andes
	Mountains, Sierra Madre Mountains, and Atacama Desert.
	b. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map the countries of Brazil, Chile, Colombia,
	Cuba, Mexico, and Panama.
Literacy Standards	Reading Skills
ľ	L6-8RHSS1: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources.
	L6-8RHSS7: Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps) with
	other information in print and digital texts.
	Writing Skills
	L6-8WHST4: Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style
	are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
	L6-8WHST7: Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on
	several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
	L6-8WHST9: Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis reflection, and research.

Connection to Social Studies Matrices (information processing and/or map and globe skills)	Map and Globe Skills 6. use map key/legend to acquire information from historical, physical, political, resource, product, and economic maps. 7. use a map to explain impact of geography on historical and current events. 8. draw conclusions and make generalizations based on information from maps 10. compare maps of the same place at different points in time and from different perspectives to determine changes, identify trends, and generalize about human activities. 11. compare maps with data sets (charts, tables, graphs) and /or readings to draw conclusions and make generalizations.
Enduring Understanding(s)	Information Processing Skills 6. identify and use primary and secondary sources. 11. Draw conclusions and make generalizations. Location: The student will understand that location affects a society's economy, culture, and development.

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Appendix A



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Name: Map #: Appendix C

Physical Feature Pyramid

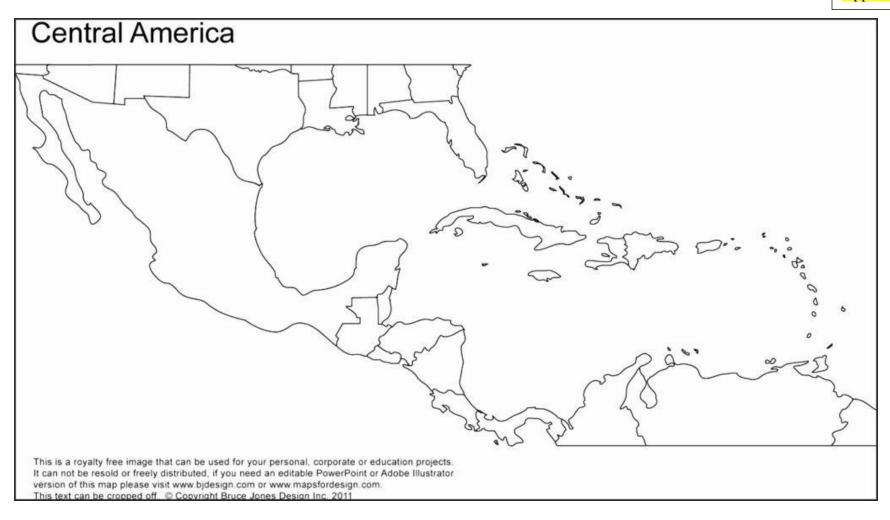
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In each block of the pyramid there is a part of speech. You must select a word for that part of speech and provide evidence for your word choice. You must have a balance of evidence that describes the feature, explains its importance, or for what it is known. One way to think about this is that you are being asked to learn about this physical feature so why do you think you needed to learn about the feature.

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		verb		verb			
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Appendix E



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Appendix F



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Appendix H

Sample Instructional Activities/Assessments		
How o	an there be a balance between development and	damage to the environment?
	the sixth-grade resource page. Teachers can choose	e to do the complete lab or select resources and
activities from the lab.		
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Lienents	b. Explain the environmental issue of destruction of t	
Literacy Standards	Reading Skills Writing Skills	See lab
Connection to Social Studies Matrices	Map and Globe Skills Information Processing Skills	
(information processing and/or map and globe skills)		See lab
Enduring Understanding(s)		See lab

Sample Instructional Activities/Assessments

Why does location matter?

Where do people live?

For the countries of Mexico and Brazil, give students the set of maps and population chart. (Appendix I - R). *NOTE:* If you do not want to print colored copies of the maps, you can use the source set PowerPoint and display maps. Also, if you have a class set of atlases you could use maps from the atlas.

- 1. Have them analyze the maps to determine the areas that are more heavily populated and least populated. Have students complete the graphic organizer. (Appendix S)
- 2. **Summary:** Have students answer the essential question, *Why does location matter?* with an emphasis on the supporting question, *How does location affect where people live?*.

Trade

Students will use the same maps from *Where do people live?* to complete the trade portion of this lesson. Directions are listed in Appendix T. The organizer to record their analysis is Appendix U.

NOTE: The extra information for step 5 of the direction is located in Appendix V - X.

GSE Standards and	SS6G3 Explain the impact of location, climate, distribution of natural resources, and population
Elements	distribution on Latin America.
	a. Explain how the location, climate, and distribution of natural resources impact trade and affect
	where people live in Mexico, Brazil, and Cuba.
Literacy Standards	Reading Skills
	L6-8RHSS1: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources.
	L6-8RHSS7: Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps) with
	other information in print and digital texts.
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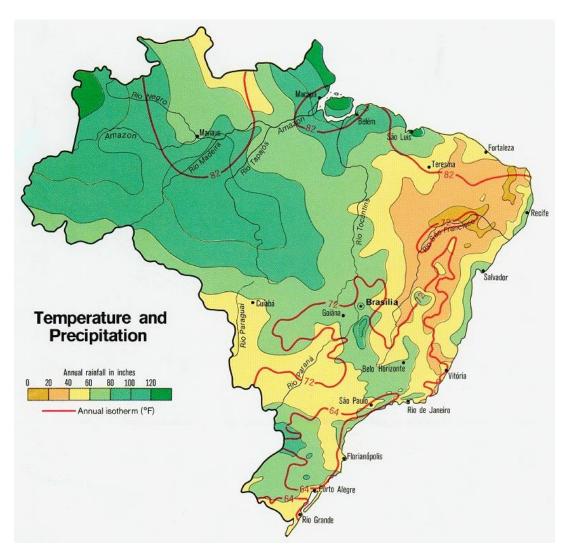
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	6. identify and use primary and secondary sources. 11. Draw conclusions and make generalizations.
Enduring Understanding(s)	Location: The student will understand that location affects a society's economy, culture, and development.



Brazil Economic Activity

Appendix I

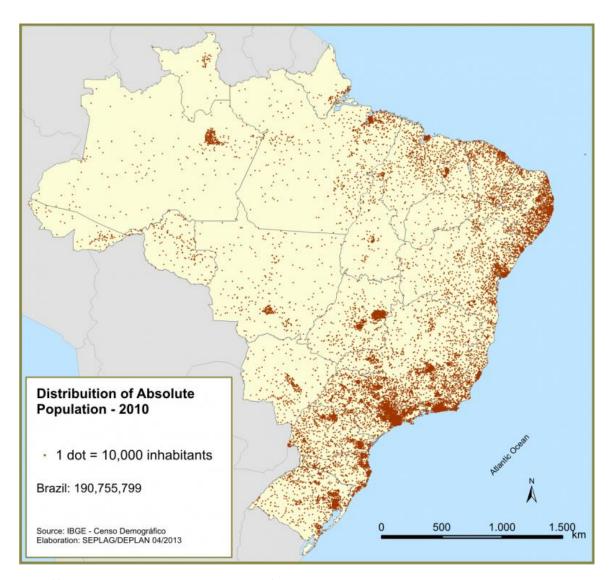
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Brazil Climate Map

Appendix J

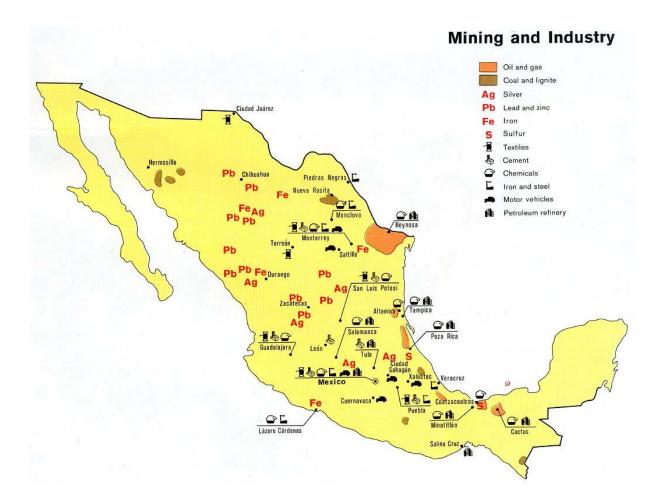
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Brazil Population Map

Appendix K

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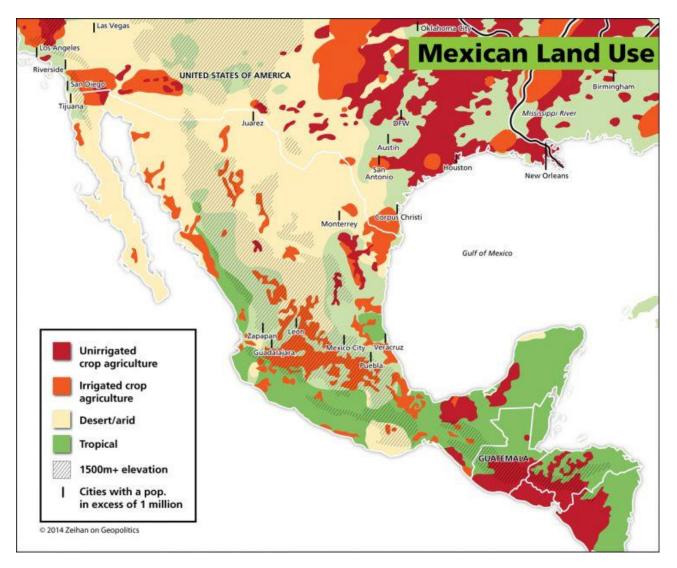


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Appendix L



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Cuba Physical Map





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The Biggest Cities In Cuba

Rank	Biggest Cities in Cuba	Population
1	Havana	2,106,146
2	Santiago de Cuba	509,143
3	Holguín	346,191
4	Camagüey	321,992
5	Santa Clara	242,402
6	Bayamo	222,118
7	Guantánamo	210,407
8	Las Tunas	171,957
9	Cienfuegos	164,924
10	Pinar del Río	154,107

Appendix R

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Why does location matter? How does location affect where people live?

NOTE: You may not complete the "least" section under each category. If you can make any observations from the map that would influence why people would not want to live in a certain area, record it in this category.

	Mexico		Brazil		Cuba	
	Most	Least	Most	Least	Most	Least
Natural Resources						
Climate						
Physical Features						
Other Example: Economic Activity Label the type of map used.						

Summary: Answer the essential question, Why does location matter? with an emphasis on the supporting question, How does location affect where people live?.

SS6G3 Explain the impact of location, climate, distribution of natural resources, and population distribution on Latin America.

Appendix T

b. Explain how the location, climate, and distribution of natural resources impact <u>trade</u> and affect where people live in Mexico, Brazil, and Cuba.

Direction for "Trade" Analysis

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Step 1:	
	Using the maps introduced in the "Where People Live" section, have students complete the "Trade Predictions" organizer.
Step 2:	
	Once they have made their predictions, have students go the <i>The World Factbook</i> — <i>Central Intelligence Agency - CIA https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/</i> to check their predictions. Once they get to the site, have students use the drop-down menu and select the countries: Mexico, Brazil and Cuba . They can scroll down to the Economic section to see trading partners and items for export.
Step 3:	
	Students will make other connections using the information on the World Factbook site: Agriculture products, Industries. Students can make connections to this information to export
Step 4:	
	Have students go to the transportation section for each country. Have them scroll down to find important information about transportation that will impact trade (major waterways, ports, etc.) Use this information and the physical features map to determine possible trade routes for the countries they are trading partners. • Example: • Recilement note should corrient for industries, waterways, marchent marines ports and terminals.
Stop 5:	 Railways: note about carriers for industries, waterways, merchant marines ports and terminals.
Step 5:	
	Students can use the extra information provided to further validate their predictions.
Summ	ary: Have students answer the essential question and supporting question, Why does location matter? How does location

affect trade?

Trade Predictions-Mexico, Brazil, Cuba

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Using the maps provided in the activity on population density, complete the prediction statements about trade in these countries.

	Mexico	Brazil	Cuba
Physical Map:			
What features may help or			
hinder trade?			
Natural Resources:			
What do you think the			
county might export?			
Climate:			
Do you think climate will			
affect trade in this country?			
Explain.			
Location:			
What are possible trade			
routes for this country?			
Who do you think might be			
their trading partners?			
Other observations			

Summary: Have students answer the essential question and supporting question, Why does location matter? How does location affect trade?

TRADE INFORMATION

Appendix V

BRAZIL

https://www.worldatlas.com/articles/the-economy-of-brazil.html

Leading Industries of Brazil

The service sector in Brazil is dominated by hospitality, retail sales, financial services, professional services, and information technology. The primary products dominating the agriculture industry in Brazil are soybeans, corn, beef, sugar, wheat, cocoa, rice, chicken, and citrus. The major industries in the country are textiles, cement, petroleum processing, aerospace, motor vehicle and parts, iron and steel, equipment, and machinery.

Top Exports and Export Partners of Brazil

Brazil is ranked 23rd largest export economy in the world. The leading export goods are transport equipment, soybeans, sugar, iron ore, crude petroleum, coffee, footwear, poultry meat, and automobiles. The top export partners are China, taking 18.6% of the total exports; US, which accounts for 12.7% of all exports, while Argentina accounts for 6.7%, and the Netherlands 5.3%.

Top Imports and Import Partners of Brazil

Brazil is the world's 19th largest importing economy. The country's top imports are machinery, refined and crude petroleum, chemicals, motor vehicle parts, transport equipment, and electronics. Brazil's top import partners are China accounting for 17.9% of all imports; US, which accounts for 15.6 of imports, Germany accounts for 6.1%, while Argentina is 6.0%

CUBA

Appendix W

https://www.worldatlas.com/articles/the-economy-of-cuba.html

The Cuban economy is a planned economy that is dominated by state-run enterprises and a state-employed labor force. Most of Cuba's industries are either owned or run by the government, and most of its labor force is employed by the state. Due to the fall of the Soviet Union, the communist party advocated for the formation of cooperatives and also encouraged self-employment. In 2000 Cuba's public sector employment was at 76% while the employment in the private sector was comprised of self-employed people, which stood at 23% comparing to the same ratio taken in 1981 of 91% to 8% respectively.

Leading Industries of Cuba

The service sector in Cuba is dominated by tourism, retail, and finance, which generated \$1.7 billion. The primary products dominating the agricultural industry in Cuba are sugarcane, potatoes, tobacco, rice, coffee, citrus, livestock, and beans. The country's major industries are biotechnology and pharmaceutical.

Top Exports and Export Partners of Cuba

Cuba is ranked as the 113th leading world's export economy. The main export products are sugar, medical products, tobacco, nickel, coffee, citrus, and shellfish. The country's top export partners are Venezuela taking 33.5%, Canada taking 15.9%, China taking 9.5% and Netherlands taking 4.5% of the total exports.

Top Imports and Import Partners of Cuba

Cuba is the 89th, largest importing economy in the world. The country's top imports are food, machinery and equipment, chemicals, and petroleum. The country's top import partners are Venezuela with 38.7%, China with 9.8%, Spain with 8.4%, Brazil with 4.7% and Algeria with 4.4% of the country's total import.

MEXICO

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Appendix X

Leading Industries of Mexico

The leading industry of Mexico is the services sector, which contributes 59.8% of the GDP. The industry sector contributes 36.6%, followed by agriculture with 3.6% (significantly lower than its employment rate). The leading industry products include: tobacco, chemicals, electronics, iron and steel, aerospace, textiles, mining, and petroleum.

Top Export Goods and Partners of Mexico

In 2014, exports from Mexico were valued at \$400 billion, making it the 12th largest export economy in the world. Its principal exports include: crude petroleum (\$37 billion), cars (\$33 billion), vehicle parts (\$23 billion), delivery trucks (\$22.7 billion), and computers (\$18.6 billion). A large percentage of its exports go to the following countries: the United States (\$291 billion), Canada (\$24.5 billion), China (\$7.89 billion), Spain (\$6.18 billion), and Brazil (\$5.35 billion).

Top Import Goods and Partners of Mexico

In 2014, imports to Mexico totaled \$379 billion, giving this country a positive trade balance of \$21.3 billion. A positive trade balance means the country exported more than it imported. Its major imports include: refined petroleum (\$22.9 billion), vehicle parts (\$22.7 billion), integrated circuits (\$13.5 billion), computers (\$10 billion), and broadcasting accessories (\$8.98 billion). A large portion of its imports come from the following countries: the US (\$194 billion), China (\$58.7 billion), Japan (\$15.8 billion), South Korea (\$13.4 billion), and Germany (\$12.8 billion).

Sample Instructional Activities/Assessments

Predictions Please! What are my elements?

Students can work in partners or groups of 4.

PART 1

- 1. Show students the standard <u>SS6H1 Explain conflict and change in Latin America.</u> **Do Not show the elements.** Explain to students that they have to solve the puzzle of what are the 2 elements under this standard. You can set it up something like this:
 - a. Post the standard only on the board. Tell students today this is the standard that they are to master. However, there are some pieces missing. We are not sure what is the change and conflict that we are to learn. Some documents have been left to analyze that will help us solve our puzzle. (You may need to post *previous* standard and elements to review the purpose of the elements.)
- 2. Provide students with the <u>information chart</u> of the countries of Latin America <u>and the maps</u>. (Appendix Y BB) (You may want to give one to each group member or if students are working with a partner, assign 2 per partner.)
- 3. Have them analyze the information to *make predictions* about what is the conflict and change they are supposed to learn.
- 4. Have students complete the document analysis and *prediction chart*. (Appendix CC)
- 5. Have students write what they think element A and B might be. Have them write the evidence to support their responses.
- 6. Have students share. (You could have a couple of groups share.)

PART 2

- 1. Explain to students that they are going to be given reading selections that will provide more information. Two students will get Reading A and the other partnership will get Reading B. They will use the selective highlighting strategy as they read. They will highlight anything that could be conflict in one color and anything that is change in another color.
- 2. Each pair will share their findings.
- 3. Students can change their predictions if needed based on the new information.
- 4. Give each group 2 sentence strips. Have them write their predictions on the sentence strips one for element A and another for element B. Also, have them <u>write the evidence</u> that supports their predictions. **OR** Give them large sheets of paper and have them write their responses.
- 5. Post these in the room.

PART 3

- 1. Explain to students that they are going to view other students' work. They should look for:
 - a. Similarities in topics
 - b. Something they really like

- c. Questions or something they didn't understand.
- 2. Have students rotate through each group's responses. Set a timer and only give them the necessary time to read. This should move quickly.
- 3. Once students have viewed the work, discuss major findings.
- 4. Reveal the actual elements for students to see how close they were.

Summary

- Have students answer the essential question by selecting one of the supporting questions to focus their answer.
 - o This can be done individually or by "silent discussion".
 - Silent Discussion: Students are given a certain amount of time to write their response to the EQ. They rotate papers and the group members add on to the other group members' responses.
- Teacher may choose to collect work without group sharing or may have students share responses they think did an excellent job of answering question.

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Connection to Social	Map and Globe Skills
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(information processing	economic maps.
and/or map and globe	7. use a map to explain impact of geography on historical and current events.
skills)	8. draw conclusions and make generalizations based on information from maps
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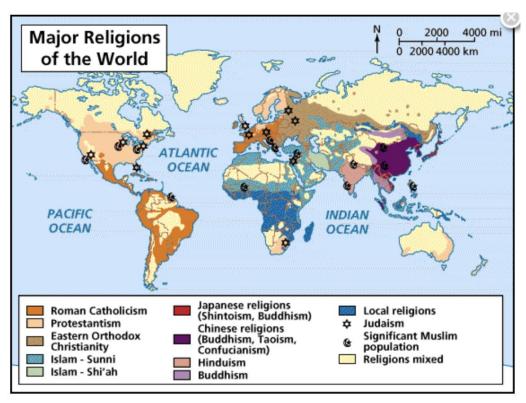
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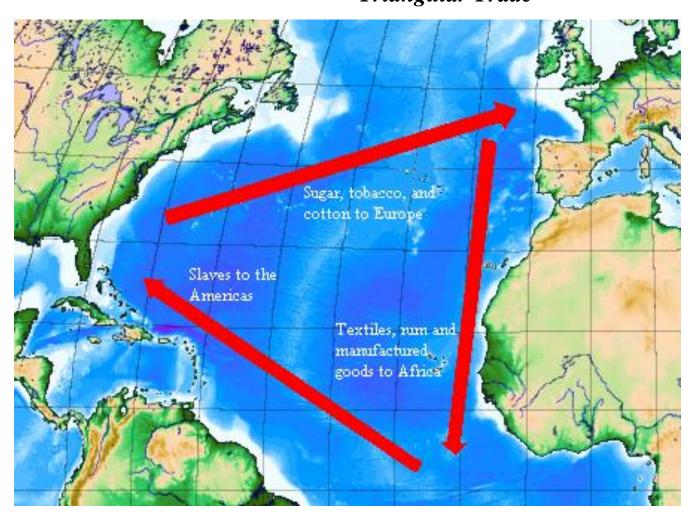
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Appendix Z Triangular Trade



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The Columbian Exchange

Appendix AA



Latin American Countries – Religion and Language

Helpful Hint: Focus for religion analysis: Under the religion column, look for common religions for the highest percent.

Appendix BB

❖ Information in this chart is from https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/

Country	Religion	Language
Argentina	Roman Catholic 92% (less than 20% practicing), Protestant 2%, Jewish 2%, other 4%	Spanish (official)
Belize	Roman Catholic 40.1%, Protestant 31.5% Jehovah's Witness 1.7%, other 10.5% (2010 est.)	English 62.9% (official)
Bolivia	Roman Catholic 76.8%, Evangelical and Pentecostal 8.1%, Protestant 7.9%, other 1.7%, none 5.5% (2012 est.)	Spanish (official) 60.7%, Quechua (official) 21.2%, Aymara (official) 14.6, Guarani (official) note: Bolivia's 2009 constitution designates Spanish and all indigenous languages as official; 36 indigenous languages are specified, including some that are extinct (2001 est.)
Brazil	Roman Catholic 64.6%, other Catholic 0.4%, Protestant 22.2%	Portuguese (official and most widely spoken language)
Chile	Roman Catholic 66.7%, Evangelical or Protestant 16.4%, Jehovah's Witnesses 1%, other 3.4%, (2012 est.)	Spanish 99.5% (official)
Columbia	Roman Catholic 90%, other 10%	Spanish (official)
Costa Rica	Roman Catholic 76.3%, Evangelical 13.7%, Jehovah's Witnesses 1.3%, other Protestant 0.7%, other 4.8%, none 3.2%	Spanish (official)
Cuba	nominally Roman Catholic 85%, note: prior to CASTRO assuming power	Spanish (official)
Dominican Republic	Roman Catholic 95%, other 5%	Spanish (official
Ecuador	Roman Catholic 74%, Evangelical 10.4%, Jehovah's Witness 1.2%, other 6.4% note: data represents persons at least 16 years of age from five Ecuadoran cities (2012 est.)	Spanish (official)
El Salvador	Roman Catholic 57.1%, Protestant 21.2%, Jehovah's Witnesses 1.9%, Mormon 0.7%, other religions 2.3%, none 16.8% (2003 est.)	Spanish (official)
Guatemala	Roman Catholic, Protestant, indigenous Mayan beliefs	Spanish (official)
Guyana	Protestant 30.5%, Hindu 28.4%, Roman Catholic 8.1%, Muslim 7.2%, Jehovah's Witness 1.1%, other Christian 17.7%, other 1.9%, none 4.3%, unspecified 0.9% (2002 est.)	English (official)
Haiti	Roman Catholic (official) 54.7%, Protestant 28.5%	French (official), Creole (official)
Honduras	Roman Catholic 97%, Protestant 3%	Spanish (official)

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Country	Religion	Language
Jamaica	Protestant 64.8% Roman Catholic 2.2%, other 6.5%, none	English
	21.3%, unspecified 2.3% (2011 est.)	
Mexico	Roman Catholic 82.7%, Pentecostal 1.6%, Jehovah's Witnesses	Spanish
	1.4%, other Evangelical Churches 5%, other 1.9%, none 4.7%,	
	unspecified 2.7% (2010 est.)	
Nicaragua	Roman Catholic 58.5%, Protestant 23.2% Jehovah's Witnesses	Spanish (official)
_	0.9%, other 1.6%, none 15.7% (2005 est.)	
Panama	Roman Catholic 85%, Protestant 15%	Spanish (official)
Paraguay	Roman Catholic 89.6%, Protestant 6.2%, other Christian 1.1%,	Spanish (official), Guarani (official)
<i>C</i> ,	other or unspecified 1.9%, none 1.1% (2002 census)	
Peru	Roman Catholic 81.3%, Evangelical 12.5%, other 3.3%, none	Spanish (official) 84.1%, Quechua (official)
	2.9% (2007 est.)	
Suriname	Hindu 27.4%, Protestant 25.2% Roman Catholic 22.8%, Muslim	Dutch (official)
	19.6%, indigenous beliefs 5%	
Uruguay	Roman Catholic 47.1%, non-Catholic Christians 11.1%,	Spanish (official)
	nondenominational 23.2%, Jewish 0.3%, , other 1.1% (2006)	
Venezuela	Roman Catholic 96%, Protestant 2%, other 2%	Spanish (official)

READING A https://www.berea.edu/cie/focus-latin-america/

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Geography

Latin America is a region in the Western Hemisphere, south of the United States. The term Latin America is used to describe the countries in South America, Middle America, and the Caribbean that speak Latin languages, also known as the "Romance languages." These languages include Spanish, Portuguese, and French. Latin America extends from Mexico in North America and down through Central America, parts of the Caribbean and all of South America down to the bottom of the continent. While it is a very diverse region, the people of these countries share similar historical experiences, languages and cultures.

History

Latin America came to fruition in the 1500's after European "discovery" of the New World. Countries such as Spain, France and Portugal colonized the region. Although most of Latin America was colonized by Spain, the countries of Portugal and France also had major influences on the region. Due to war and disease, native populations were decimated. The European countries' demand for free labor led them to engage in the African slave trade. Millions of Africans were brought over from Africa, which resulted in the African diaspora being so prominent in Latin America. During the late 18th and early 19th century the people of Latin America began fighting for independence. By 1898, all Latin American countries had become independent nations.

Culture

Latin America is a huge melting pot of different cultures. Indigenous, African, and European people make up the bulk of this culture. As a result of intermixing, religions such as *Santeria* in Cuba, and *Candomble* in Brazil have been created. These religions have African roots but also contain elements of European Catholicism. Another example of intermixing can be found in Mexican son music. The term "Son" is given to a category of Mexican folk music which covers a variety of styles that vary by region. However, these styles share a number of common characteristics in their rhythms, lyrics, and dance. The music is a mix of Spanish, African, and indigenous elements, which mingled at least as far back as the 18th century.

READING B Excerpts from article: The South American Slave Trade

http://manchesterhistorian.com/2014/south-american-slave-trade/ BY CHARLOTTE JOHNSON ON 24TH FEBRUARY 2014

Appendix DD

Histories of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade typically focus on those enslaved in the North American colonies and often overlook its southern counterpart. However, those enslaved in North America during the colonial period were a minority; only 6% of Africans were taken to the East Coast of North America between 1500 and 1870. Slave imports from Africa were overwhelmingly taken to South America and the Caribbean. Although the Southern United States is renowned for its past brutality towards the slave population, those enslaved in areas such as Brazil, Colombia and Bolivia experienced a much harsher reality.

Yet, not unlike North America, slavery existed in South America even before African slave importation transformed the region's landscape. After Christopher Columbus's discovery of the Americas in 1492, much of South America was divided between the Spanish and the Portuguese with the Treaty of Tordesillas in 1494. When the Europeans arrived in South America, they enslaved the native inhabitants and used them as a free labor force to work on their mines and the cotton, sugar, coffee and tobacco plantations that were being developed. Moreover, shortly after the European colonization, natives of these regions rapidly decreased in number.

The Europeans that came to America brought with them diseases that the natives were unaccustomed to facing. Diseases such as measles, influenza, mumps, typhus and small pox were detrimental to the Indian inhabitants of South America. Such diseases had a profound effect on native mortality during this period, yet historians are not quite sure of the exact figures of devastation it caused. However, it has been estimated that in the Americas as a whole, the native Indians were numbered at 50 million in 1500. By 1600, after 100 years of forced labor, colonization and disease, they numbered a mere 8 million. By 1650, some estimate that 90% of the native population had died. The colonization of South America was therefore devastating to Indian inhabitants, and this

loss has been described as one of the largest demographic disasters in human history. It was then when the Europeans of South America turned to Africa for a new labor force to be the backbone of their agricultural economy.

Today, the descendants of the Africans enslaved during this period still have a profound effect on the landscape of Latin America. Indeed, the largest African population outside of Africa exists in Brazil. They have had considerable influence in shaping the societies of Latin America. As in the United States, the Africans shipped to South America in the colonial period brought with them many customs, religions, and traditions which contribute to the culture that exists in these countries today. This can be seen most clearly when looking at religion. Religious faiths that emerged from Africa and that still exist today – for example, Shango in Venezuela and Brazil – are no longer just confined to people of African origin. Literature and the arts have also been greatly influenced by Africa. Many poems and novels of Latin America show elements of African styles or concepts, which further demonstrates a far-reaching cultural exchange. Whether these descendants of both free and enslaved Africans exist as a majority or minority in Latin America today, their influence in these societies is still very much present.

What Are My Elements?

Appendix EE

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Document	What I Observe Statement	
Maps		
Triangular Trade		
Columbian Exchange		
Latin American Countries:		
Religion and Language		
	Our Predictions	

Your <u>because</u> should be the evidence you gathered during your analysis of the documents.

SS6H1 Explain conflict and change in Latin America

We think element a is:	
because	
We think element b is:	
because	

Culminating Unit Performance Task

Come Visit! Travel Poster

Students will use their knowledge and resources to create a travel poster about Mexico, Cuba or Brazil.

NOTE: Students could choose other Latin American countries if the teacher wants to extend the assignment.

Students may create this using the computer or on poster paper.

The following is a list of *sample requirements*.

Requirements:

- 1. Graphics Minimum of 5 needs to represent factual information
- 2. Slogan Come up with a creative slogan or title of why people should come to your country.
- **3.** Information You have learned about physical features, location, where people live, and culture. Incorporate this information in your poster. Your information needs to be related to the essential questions: Why does location matter? and How does society reflect a diverse culture?.
- **4.** Overall Appearance Creativity, neatness, etc.

Think about ways you can incorporate your information into your graphics. For example, if you are highlighting the Amazon River, you may draw the river and put your information inside the river.

SS6G1 Locate selected features of Latin America.c. Locate on a world and regional political-phy

- c. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map: Amazon River, Amazon Rainforest, Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Panama Canal, Andes Mountains, Sierra Madre Mountains, and Atacama Desert.
- d. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map the countries of Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico, and Panama.

SS6G3 Explain the impact of location, climate, distribution of natural resources, and population distribution on Latin America.

c. Explain how the location, climate, and distribution of natural resources impact trade and affect where people live in Mexico, Brazil, and Cuba.

SS6H1 Explain conflict and change in Latin America.

- a. Describe the influence of African slavery on the development of the Americas.
- b. Describe the influence of the Spanish and the Portuguese on the language and religions of Latin America

GSE Standards and Elements

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Literacy Standards	Reading Skills
-	L6-8RHSS2: Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source;
	provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
(Standards used depend upon the	L6-8RHSS4: Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including
choice of the activity.)	vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
	L6-8RHSS7: Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or
	maps) with other information in print and digital texts.
	Writing Skills
	L6-8WHST2: Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical
	events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
	a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and
	information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include
	formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful
	to aiding comprehension.
	b. Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details,
	quotations, or other information and examples.
	c. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the
	topic.
	L6-8WHST9: Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis reflection, and
	research.
Social Studies Matrices	Map Skills
(Standards used depend upon the	
choice of the activity.)	4.compare and contrast the categories of natural, cultural, and political features found on maps
choice of the activity.)	7. use a map to explain impact of geography on historical and current events
	10. compare maps of the same place at different points in time and from different perspectives to
	determine changes, identify trends, and generalize about human activities
	11. compare maps with data sets (charts, tables, graphs) and /or readings to draw conclusions and make
	generalizations.
	Informational/Processing Skills
	6. identify and use primary and secondary sources
	11. draw conclusions and make generalizations
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	15. determine adequacy and/or relevancy of information

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Enduring Understanding(s)	Location: The student will understand that location affects a society's economy, culture, and development.	
	Human Environmental Interaction: The student will understand that humans, their society, and the	
	environment affect each other.	
	Movement/Migration: The student will understand that the movement or migration of people and ideas	
	affects all societies involved.	
	Culture: The student will understand that the culture of a society is the product of the religion, beliefs,	
	customs, traditions, and government of that society	
	Conflict and Change: The student will understand that when there is conflict between or within	
	societies, change is the result.	