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Chapter 15: Federative Republic of Brazil (República Federativa do Brasil) ***Section 1: The Geography of Brazil***

Guided Reading

Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. _____ is located on the eastern side of South America along the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. It is crossed by the _____.
2. Brazil is also in the western hemisphere, and it shares a _____ with nearly every country in South America except Chile and Ecuador.
3. Brazil is the _____ country in Latin America in both land area and population.
4. Brazil's location on the _____ Ocean and its closeness to the Panama _____ influence its trade with other countries.
5. The northern part of Brazil's geography is dominated by the _____.
6. About 20 percent of the fresh water on Earth's surface flows to the _____ and empties into the Atlantic Ocean.
7. The Brazilian _____, or Central Plateau, cover most of the southern part of the country.
8. With its location crossing both the Equator and Tropic of Capricorn, it is not surprising that most of Brazil has a humid _____ and _____ climate.
9. Only about 7 percent of Brazil's land is _____, but Brazil makes the most of this resource. Twenty percent of the workers in Brazil are _____.
10. The _____ climate in Brazil means that the agriculture industry can have a longer growing season to harvest its crops.

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11. The _____ Rain Forest is home to more than 40,000 different kinds of plants and thousands of types of animals.
12. The rain forest is also valuable in creating _____, which is required for animal life on Earth.
13. It is estimated that 20 percent of the world's _____ is produced in the rain forests of the Amazon region.
14. The Amazonia Rain Forest is home to many _____ populations that depend on the forest for their survival.
15. _____ threatens the people, animals, and plants that live in the environment.
16. Most Brazilians live along the eastern _____ areas of their country.
17. As a result, 80 percent of the people live within 200 miles of the _____.

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1. In 1500, a fleet of _____ ships led by Pedro Álvares Cabral arrived in present-day Brazil.
2. Portugal's early goal for the colony was to harvest _____, or paubrasilia.
3. At first, the natives and the Portuguese worked together to _____ the trees. Later, the need to move inland to find _____ areas made the paubrasilia trade less attractive.
4. The Portuguese tried to _____ the native people, but many natives died because of the hard work and the disease brought by Europeans.
5. Most of the European settlers preferred living in _____ areas, but a few ventured into the Amazon interior.
6. A 1493 papal bull (official decree from the pope) and the 1494 Treaty of _____ settled the dispute between Portugal and Spain over the land in the New World.
7. The region began to export 30,000 pounds of _____ a year to Portugal.
8. Portugal's policies, however, favored shipping Brazil's resources to Portugal rather than developing a Brazilian _____.
9. When Napoleon Bonaparte conquered much of Europe, the royal family of Portugal fled to _____. The prince regent, who later became King John VI, began _____ the region by building universities, a bank, and a mint.

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10. The next ruler, Pedro II's daughter Princess Isabel, officially ended _____ in Brazil in 1888. Unhappy with this decision, landowners and the military decided the _____ should be abolished.
11. Brazil's first _____ government was established on November 15, 1889.
12. The first president elected under the new constitution in 1990 was _____.
13. In the 21st century, the _____ transitions of power in 1998, 2006, and 2010 indicated that Brazil has finally succeeded in achieving its long-sought political _____.

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Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. Brazil has a _____ government in which power is divided between the central government and the state and local governments.
2. Brazil is a _____ democracy.
3. The president is the leader of the _____ branch of government and is both chief of state and the head of government.
4. The president appoints a _____ of leaders to be responsible for certain areas of the government. Cabinet leaders are called _____.
5. The legislative branch of government is directed by the _____.
6. Citizens directly _____ all the members of the legislature, which is divided into two houses, the Federal _____ and the Chamber of _____.
7. Citizens of Brazil have many freedoms, and they also have the right to _____.
8. Citizens who are 18 to 70 years old are required by law to _____ — and can be fined if they fail to do so.



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Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. In Brazil, a _____ system is in place for most businesses and farms. However, the _____ owns and controls some large industries such as steel production.
2. Being an _____, or one who is willing to start a business or service, is also an option for citizens in Brazil.
3. Brazil has many economic _____. This is why Brazil is among the _____ of the Latin American countries when it comes to a market economic system.
4. Brazil's many industries include _____, shoes, steel, motor vehicle parts, and other machinery and equipment.
5. The Brazilian government must _____ some products like smaller automotive parts, oil, and electrical parts in order to produce the larger machinery and equipment.
6. Because the growing season is so long in Brazil, its farmers are able to _____ more agriculture products to countries that do not have such a long growing season.
7. Brazil's _____ is the largest in South America.
8. Since 2003, Brazil has steadily improved its economic _____ and reduced its national _____ (the total outstanding borrowings of the country's government).
9. Brazil is working to _____ its workforce and its economy over the long run by investing in _____ through social programs such as Bolsa Família and the Brazil Science Mobility Program, and

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by investing in _____ in the areas of space, nanotechnology, health care, and energy.

10. The currency of Brazil, the Brazilian _____, was introduced in 1994 to help the declining value of the Brazilian currency.

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Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. The United States and Brazil have enjoyed a long history of positive _____ and _____ relations.
2. As the two largest _____ and economies in the western hemisphere, the United States and Brazil have a commitment to expand economic growth, promote peace and security, show respect for human rights, and strengthen _____ and security.
3. _____ relations between the United States and Brazil are important and continue to grow.
4. Brazil is the world's seventh-largest economy and one of the United States' largest _____ partners.
5. The United States is Brazil's second-largest _____ market.
6. Brazilian _____ is at an all-time high, making up the fifth-largest group of foreign visitors to the United States.
7. Georgia and Brazil have an important _____ relationship.