

TOD: Location, Climate, & Natural Resources

EQ #2 → How do location, climate, and natural resources affect people in Latin America?

Standards. **SS6G3a.** Compare how the location, climate, and natural resources of Mexico and Venezuela affect where people live and how they trade.

SS6G3b. Compare how the location, climate, and natural resources of Brazil and Cuba affect where people live and how they trade.

Directions. Decide whether each of the following statements describe Mexico or Venezuela.

Place an M on the line for Mexico, and a V on the line for Venezuela. SS6G3a

____ Location makes it a great trading partner with the United States.

____ Location allows for easy trade with nearby countries such as Brazil and Colombia.

____ Mostly dry climate with little rainfall. It has a humid tropical climate in the southern part of the country

____ Hot and humid climate with a rainy season..

____ Areas rich with minerals like silver, copper, lead, iron, and oil, but oil is their most valuable resource.

____ Oil is the most valuable natural resource and many people work in the oil industry.

____ Most people live along the coast in major urban areas.

What is another word for URBAN? _____

____ Most people live in cities in the central part of the country while others live along the border and areas rich in minerals.

Directions. Decide whether each of the following statements describe Brazil or Cuba.

Place a B on the line for Brazil, and a C on the line for Cuba. SS6G3b

____ Location would allow lots of trade, but its trade is mainly with China and Venezuela. The United States does not trade with them because of an embargo against them.

____ Location on the Atlantic Ocean allows it to ship products all over the world.

____ Semi-tropical, with warm, moderate temperatures and mostly flat land.

____ Most of the country has a low elevation with a warm, humid climate and the Amazon Rainforest.

____ Sugarcane, coffee beans, and oranges are grown, but its top product is coffee.

____ Rich soil is good for growing sugarcane, coffee beans, and tobacco. Sugar is its main product. Also exports nickel and fish.

____ Most people live in urban areas such as the capital city, Havana.

____ Most people live along the Atlantic coast because much of the country is covered in dense rainforests.