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# BOLIVIA

## COUNTRY STUDY



**LANDFORMS** Ch'iyar Quta ("Black Lake")

- 1/3 of country is Andes Mountains
- Amazon River Basin (called the Oriente region) has swamps, plains, wetlands, tropical forests, and savannas
- Navigable rivers and lakes; largely untapped potential for hydroelectric power.
- Lake Titicaca is the second-largest lake in South America. Bolivia and Peru share control over Lake Titicaca. Lake Maracaibo in Venezuela is largest lake in South America.

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6-9**

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# BOLIVIA PRESENTATION

## BOLIVIA FLAG

- Flag adopted in 1851
- A second official version of the Bolivia flag includes coat of arms in the middle – either version may be flown



- Red represents bl
- Yellow represents
- Green represents

LOCATION

### Land Borders

- Peru
- Brazil
- Paraguay
- Argentina
- Chile



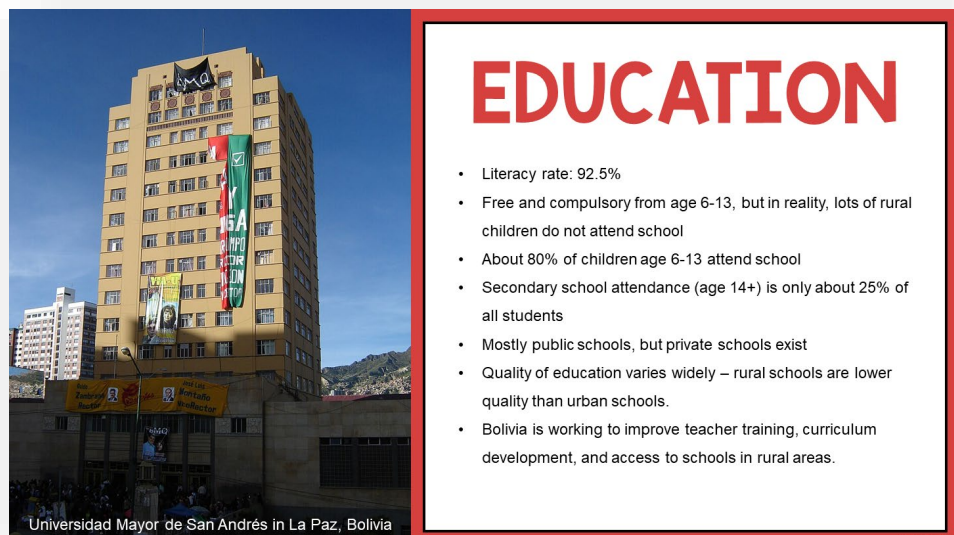
### Water Borders

- none (landlocked)

43 slides teach students to find Bolivia on a map, plus information about the people, places, climate, economy, government, education, and problems.

# INCLUDES:

- Bolivia flag and Wiphala flag
- Bolivia on maps of South America and the world
- Water and land borders
- Why being a landlocked country is a challenge
- Languages and people
- Religion
- Education
- Sports and Recreation
- Health and welfare
- Food – *salteña* (Bolivian empanada)
- Artist – Roberto Mamani Mamani (1962- )
- Landforms – Andes Mountains, Amazon Rainforest, volcanoes, Salar de Uyuni, Laguna Colorada, Lake Titicaca
- Landmarks – “The Gateway of the Sun” (Incan archaeological site), La Paz, Madidi National Park, Yungas Road, Potosi silver mine
- Climate
- Biodiversity
- Things to see and do
- Capital
- Economy
- Problems and challenges
- What is corruption?
- Corruption Index – Bolivia’s ranking in 2023
- Discussion question – Would you want to visit?



# DO YOU REMEMBER...?

## DO YOU REMEMBER?



Santa Cruz de la Sierra is the most populous city in Bolivia.

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What are some ingredients in Bolivian *salteñas*?

What challenges does the Bolivian

## DO YOU REMEMBER?

What are the two capitals of Bolivia?

True or false: Bolivia is rich in natural resources and is therefore one of the richest countries in South America.



In 2020, a new, highly-venomous pit viper species, the mountain fer-de-lance, was discovered in the Zongo Valley near La Paz, Bolivia.

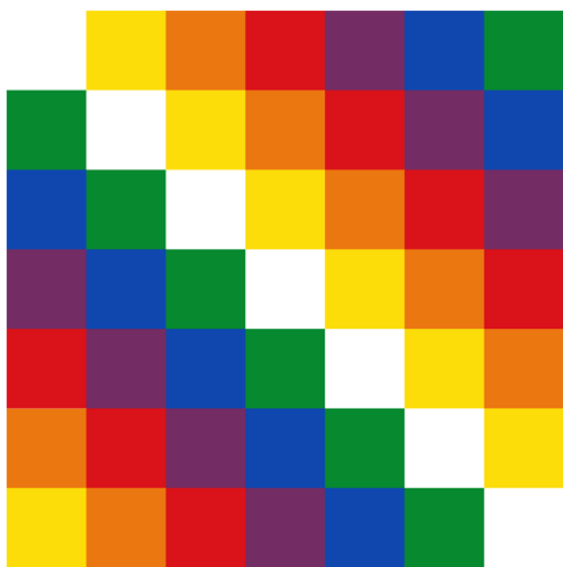
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A few review questions appear every 8-10 slides.  
These may be recall questions (What is the capital?)  
or discussion questions (Would you want to visit Bolivia?)

# EDITABLE TEXT

## THE WIPHALA



- Since 2009, the Wiphala is also a variant flag of Bolivia
- 7X7 square shape (49 squares)
- Represents indigenous peoples of the Andes Mountains in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Bolivia, and Argentina
- The seven colors represent:
  - Red: The Earth and the Andean man
  - Orange: Society and culture
  - Yellow: Earth
  - White: The sun
  - Green: Nature
  - Blue: The sky
  - Violet: Air

## SALAR DE UYUNI

- World's largest salt flats – more than 4050 square miles wide
- When dry, the salt flats are a wide, white plain of hexagonal shapes
- A thin layer of rainfall causes the salt flats to become mirror-like (as in the photo shown below)
- Breeding ground for several species of flamingos
- Rich in lithium, which is used in cell phone, laptop, and electric car batteries



Salar de Uyuni at sunrise

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# 3 PDF ACTIVITIES

**Worksheet 1: Bolivia Country Study**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_

Color Bolivia on this map of South America

## BOLIVIA

**CAPITALS**

**Flag**

**Languages**

**CLIMATE**

**Major Cities**

**Interesting Facts**

**Plant and animal life**

**Worksheet 2: Bolivia Crossword**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

## BOLIVIA

**Across**

- The \_\_\_\_\_ Empire extended into western Bolivia.
- national bird of Bolivia; Andean \_\_\_\_\_
- Mixed race: Amerindian and European \_\_\_\_\_
- Bolivia is divided into 9 \_\_\_\_\_
- Bug that carries Chagas Disease \_\_\_\_\_
- constitutional capital of Bolivia \_\_\_\_\_
- used to make cell phone batteries; abundant at Salar de Uyuni \_\_\_\_\_
- color of middle band on Bolivia's flag \_\_\_\_\_
- Salar de \_\_\_\_\_
- city with the longest cable car system in the world \_\_\_\_\_

**Down**

- \_\_\_\_\_ mountain range between Bolivia and Chile
- government abuse of power \_\_\_\_\_
- number of oceans that border Bolivia \_\_\_\_\_
- only other landlocked country in South America \_\_\_\_\_
- Spanish conquistadors got rich off Bolivia's \_\_\_\_\_ mines
- 7X7 flag that represents indigenous peoples \_\_\_\_\_
- Road of Death; \_\_\_\_\_ Road

**Worksheet 3: What's Your Bolivia IQ?**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_

## WHAT'S YOUR BOLIVIA IQ?

Why is Bolivia's landlocked location a problem for the country's economy?

Name two major landforms in Bolivia.

What is the Bolivian currency?

What is Bolivia's administrative capital?

What is Bolivia's constitutional capital, where the Supreme Court is located?

Famous Bolivian salt flats

Name two challenges Bolivia faces today.

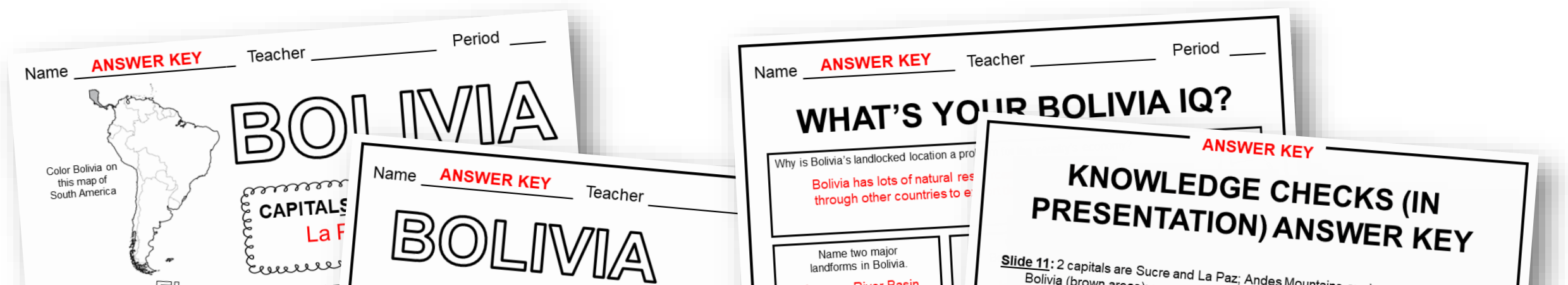
Name two countries that border Bolivia.

Describe education in Bolivia.

What is corruption? How does Bolivia rank for corruption in comparison to other South American countries?

Three printable activities help review information in the presentation. All text is editable in PPT, Google Slides, and PDF.

# ANSWER KEYS INCLUDED



## PREVIEW



All activities and “Do You Remember” slides  
in the presentation include answer keys.

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## BRAZIL COUNTRY STUDY

**ANIMAL DIVERSITY**

- The Amazon Rainforest is home to monkeys, pumas, jaguars, river dolphins, colorful tree frogs, tapirs, anteaters, ocelots, foxes, sloths, armadillos...
- Many animals are endangered.
- New species are being discovered all the time.
- Scientists worry that some species may go extinct before we even discover them.

 jaguar

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## PARAGUAY COUNTRY STUDY

**FAST FACTS**

- Was a colony of Spain from 1524 until 1811.
- In the 20<sup>th</sup> Century and into the 2000s, Paraguay had lots of turbulence, corruption, and authoritarian rule
- Two brutal wars, plus a civil war, plus border conflicts with neighboring countries
- Long dictatorship of Alfredo Stroessner from 1954-1989
- Not much industry, lots of farming
- Land and wealth inequalities are major issues
- Censorship was widely-practiced under the dictatorship of Alfredo Stroessner. It's more relaxed now but still there.

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## CHILE COUNTRY STUDY

**CAPE HORN**

Cape Horn is at the southern tip of Chile. It is known for high winds, sharp rocks, large waves, and icebergs. Before the Panama Canal opened in 1914, ships had to go around the tip of Chile and South America to get to the Pacific Ocean. This is still a very dangerous passage today.

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## PERU COUNTRY STUDY

**MACHU PICCHU**

Machu Picchu was built around 1450 AD.

Built high in the Andes Mountains, Machu Picchu was unknown to the outside world until American explorer Hiram Bingham "discovered" it in 1911.

You can only reach Machu Picchu by hiking up the Incan Trail or by train.

Machu Picchu is an incredible structure. It shows just how advanced the Incas were in engineering, math, and architecture.

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