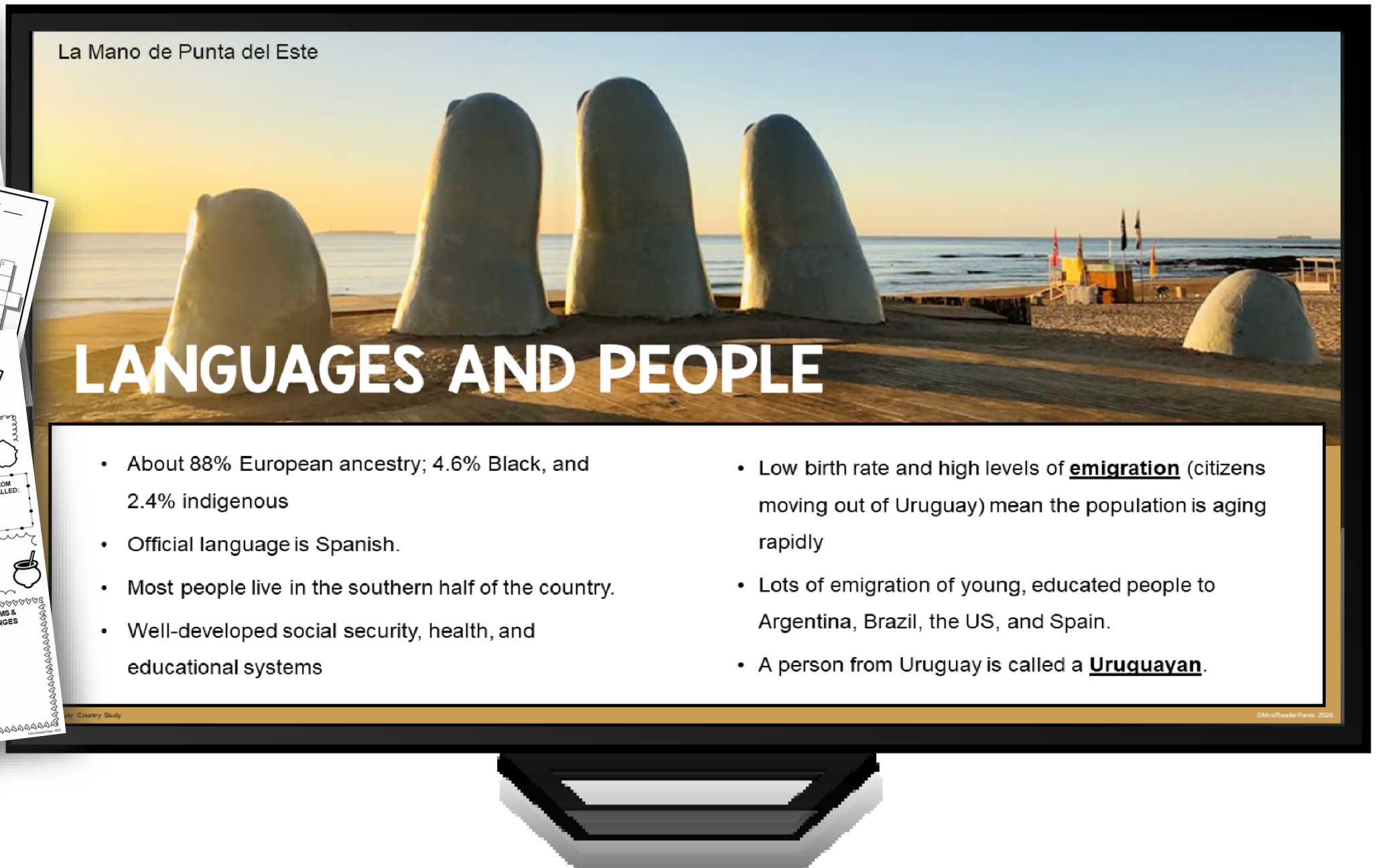


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# URUGUAY

## COUNTRY STUDY



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# URUGUAY PRESENTATION

## URUGUAY FLAG

The sun is called the **Sun of May**.  
This represents the Revolution of 1810,  
and it also represents the Incan sun god Inti.

You will also see the Sun of May on the Argentina flag.

The nine stripes (blue and white) represent the original provinces of Uruguay.  
This is similar to the red and white stripes on the US flag.



## WHERE IN THE WORLD?



- Continent: South America
- Uruguay is just south of the Tropic of Capricorn. It is the only country in the world that is entirely south of the Tropic of Capricorn.
- Uruguay is the second-smallest independent country in South America. Suriname is the only South American country that is smaller than Uruguay.
- French Guiana is also smaller than Uruguay, but it is a part of France and not an independent country.

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

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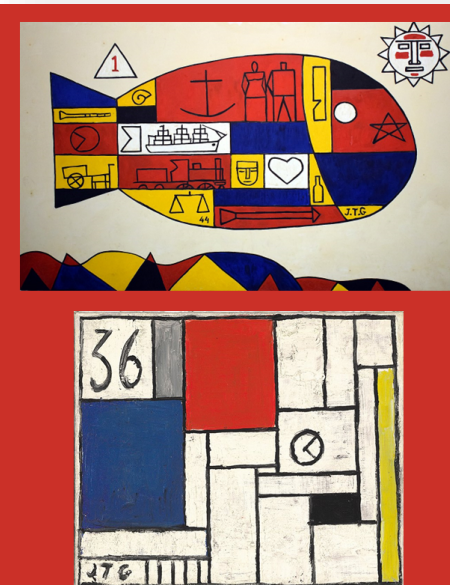
- Uruguay flag
- Uruguay on maps of South America and the world
- Water and land borders
- History – colonization
- Languages and people
- Religion
- Education
- Sports and Recreation
- Food – *chivito* (meat sandwich)
- Artist – Joaquín Torres García (1874-1949)
- Music style – Candombe
- Health and welfare
- Landforms
- Landmarks
- Climate
- Biodiversity
- Things to see and do
- Capital
- Economy
- Problems and challenges
- What is corruption?
- Corruption Index
- Discussion question – Would you want to visit?

## RELIGION

- High degree of religious diversity
- Roman Catholic – 36.5%
- Protestant – 15%
- Unspecified – 24%
- Agnostic or atheist – 13%
- Separation of church and state is part of the Uruguayan constitution
- People are free to worship (or not worship) in any way they choose



Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de la Candelaria I, Punta del Este, Uruguay



## FAMOUS ARTIST

- Joaquín Torres García (1874-1949) was one of the most influential Latin American artists of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.
- He was born in Uruguay, but he spent much of his childhood in Spain. He returned to Uruguay years later.
- Artwork was geometric abstract style
- European influences include Piet Mondrian and Paul Cézanne
- A museum in Montevideo, *Museo Torres García*, is dedicated to his artwork



# DO YOU REMEMBER...?

## DO YOU REMEMBER?



Montevideo

Uruguay's flag shares a feature with Argentina's flag.  
What feature do both flags have?



Pampas foxes

## DO YOU REMEMBER?

Name three animals found in Uruguay.  
What are the vast grasslands in Uruguay called?

Review questions appear every few slides.

These may be recall questions (What is the capital?)  
or discussion questions (Would you want to visit Uruguay?)



# EDITABLE TEXT

## MUSIC - CANDOMBE

Candombe is a traditional African-inspired dance that is especially popular in Montevideo.

Candombe originated in the colonial period when African slaves brought to Uruguay by the Spanish and Portuguese.

Candombe is a rhythmic dance set to three types of drums.

In 2009, UNESCO recognized Candombe as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Candombe is an important symbol of diversity and heritage in Uruguay.



Cerro Catedral is the highest point in Uruguay (altitude: 513.66 metres (1,685.24 feet))

## LANDFORMS

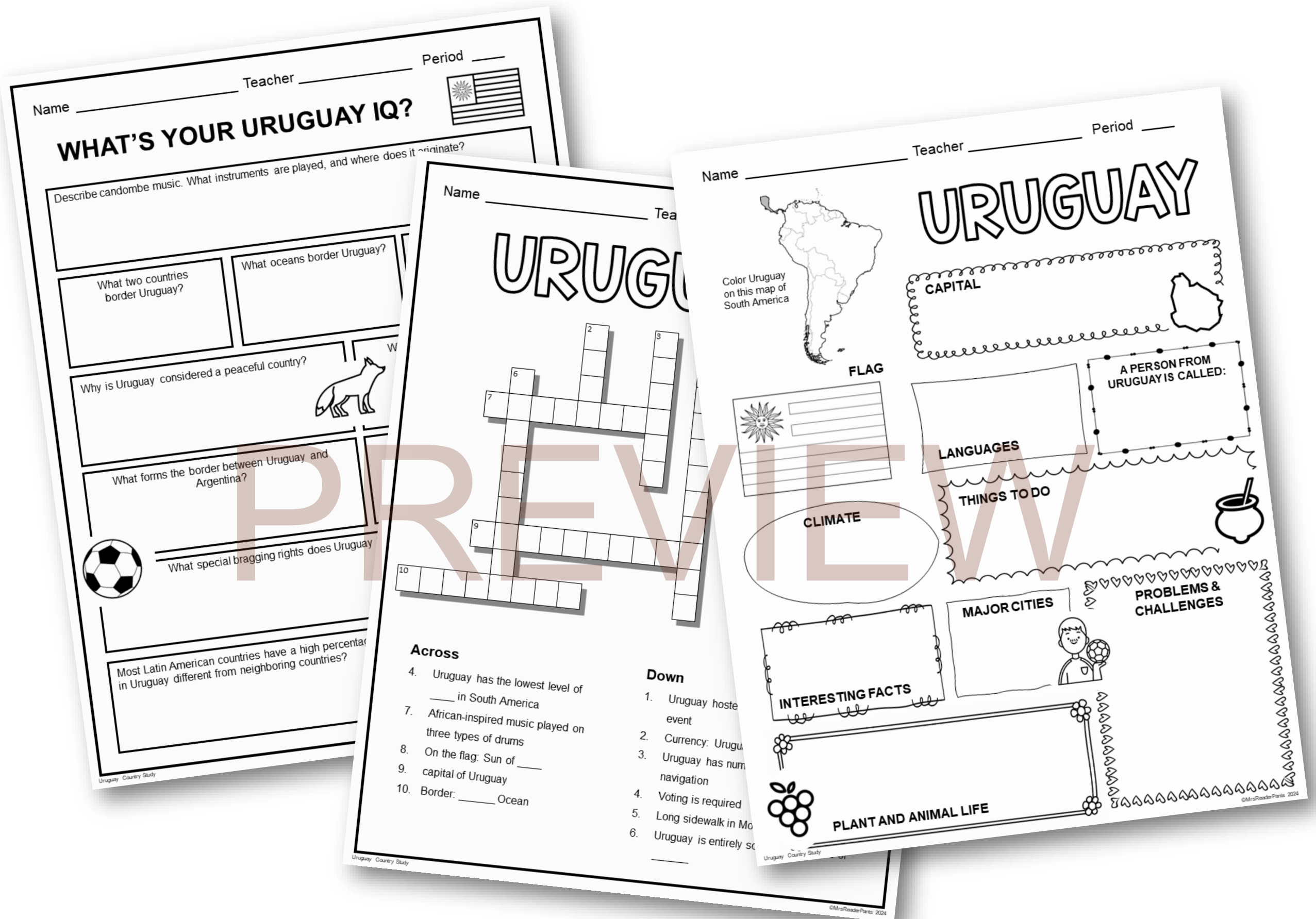
- Uruguay is naturally beautiful, which makes it ideal for agriculture, fishing, and tourism.
- The Uruguay River forms the border between Uruguay and Argentina. This river is vital for trade because ships can enter and exit from the port at Montevideo. The Uruguay River facilitates travel and trade of goods.
- Lagoa Mirim is a large salt lake on border with Brazil
- Much of Uruguay's interior is grasslands, called pampas. These are fertile areas that are excellent for farming and raising cattle and sheep.
- Large rivers with fertile wetlands and valleys.
- Hills and low mountains, coastal areas, forests, wetlands

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# 3 PDF ACTIVITIES



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



# ANSWER KEYS INCLUDED

The image displays a collection of educational materials for Uruguay. It includes:

- Uruguay Worksheet 1:** Features a map of South America with Uruguay highlighted, the national flag, and sections for 'CLIMATE' (Temperate, 4 seasons but extreme temperatures are rare) and 'INTERESTING FACTS' (Sun on the flag is Sun of May, Strong economy and democracy, Chivito is popular food).
- Uruguay Worksheet 2:** Titled 'WHAT'S YOUR URUGUAY IQ?', it contains various trivia questions such as 'Describe candombe music...', 'What two countries border Uruguay?', and 'Why is Uruguay considered a peaceful country?'. It includes a small illustration of a dog.
- Uruguay Worksheet 3:** A crossword puzzle with the word 'URUGUAY' at the top. The puzzle includes words like 'CANDOMBE', 'MONTEVIDEO', and 'ATLANTIC'.
- Answers from "DO YOU REMEMBER?" QUESTIONS:** A list of answers for various slides, including: Slide 11: green; Argentina and Brazil; Slide 12: blue, yellow, white, brown; Slide 23: Sun of May is on both flags; Slide 24: sandwich; Uruguayan; Slide 30: pampas deer, caiman, rhea; Slide 37: Montevideo; Uruguayan peso; Slide 38: problems include: aging population, some income inequality, deforestation, water pollution; Slide 43: Answers will vary.

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

# MORE COUNTRY STUDIES

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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

Includes 3 PDF activities, answer keys, and 43-slide presentation

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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.



Salto del Monday ("Monday Falls")

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## VENEZUELA COUNTRY STUDY

**ORINOCO RIVER DELTA**


- A **river delta** is a wetland area that forms where a river meets another body of water, such as a lake, another river, or the ocean.
- River deltas are rich in animal and plant biodiversity
- The Orinoco River is a major river in South America.
- In Venezuela, the Orinoco empties into the Caribbean Sea. The area where the two bodies of water meet is the Orinoco River Delta.
- The Orinoco River Delta contains brackish water, which is a mix of saltwater and freshwater.



Capybaras are among the many animals living in the Orinoco River Delta.

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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.



Includes 3 PDF activities, answer keys, and 42-slide presentation

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