



**Facts for Life**

1. South America is a continent made up of 12 countries and is located in the southern hemisphere.
2. The Amazon River is the largest in the world in volume.
3. The Andes is the largest mountain range in the world.

**Key Vocabulary**

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| The Andes           | A large group of mountains in Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, and Argentina. The largest mountain range in the world. |
| Continent           | a large solid area of land, usually made up from multiple countries   |
| Landlocked          | surrounded entirely or almost entirely by land  |
| Temperate           | A place that has neither extremely hot nor extremely cold temperatures with usually mild weather.   |
| Tropical            | A place that has a warm hot climate throughout the year   |
| Climate             | The weather found in a certain place over a long period of time   |
| Equator             | An imaginary circle around Earth. It divides Earth into two equal parts: the Northern Hemisphere and the Southern Hemisphere.             |
| Tropic of Capricorn | The parallel of latitude that is 23½ degrees south of the equator and is the southernmost latitude reached by the overhead sun.           |