5**th Grade Unit 4:  Western Hemisphere: Case Study : Country of Choice South America**

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|  Time Frame: June  Essential Question:   How do key forces and events shape a nation? |
| **Focus Questions:** How do geographical features and regional characteristics influence human settlement, land use, and economic opportunities?How did the early people adapt to their environment? What were the accomplishments of the early people?How did European exploration affect Native American people?the country over time?How are the culturally rich traditions across (Country of Choice) a reflection of the diversity of the nation?How have forces and events in the history of (Country of Choice) led to the growth and transformation of the nation?In what ways does the political system in (Country of Choice) address the needs of the diverse people of the nation?What factors have shaped the economic development challenges in (Country of Choice) ?How does where you live affect how you live? |
| **Student Outcomes:**  |
| \* Develop an understanding of historical continuityand change.• Recognize that the culture and beliefs of country of choice \*Use geographical reasoning to analyze and evaluate specialized maps of a country and explore the idea of how where you live affects how you live Ask Authentic Questions to guide researchDistinguish between fact and opinion in order to form opinions about current events | **Choose one country from South America** **1**. Brochure : showcase geography, government; culture, history (Including Native American groups and Explorers)2. Powerpoint Presentation: geography, culture , history and government3. Infographic : Geography, Culture, History and government |
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