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Learning and Participation Resource Pack

Around the World – South America
(Brazil)

Suitable for Year 1 and 2



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Overview

This resource is the fifth in a six-part series of workshops based on travelling around the world. They are based upon a scheme of work created for Year 1 Children. In each resource, you will find tasks and activities to explore where the country is geographically and what we can learn about that country – whether it's the language, a game or a tradition! This pack is best used with an adult to support the pupil.

Lesson Ideas

Warm up/icebreakers

Warm Up 1: Transport Statues

In this activity, think of as many modes of transport as you can and write a list. Once your list is created, choose one e.g. a speedboat and see if you can:

- Create a statue
- Create a movement
- Create a sound

Warm Up 2: Alphabet Soup

In this activity, use your body to create shapes for the letters of the country we will be visiting today! This game can be used as a variation of Musical Statues too:

Step 1: Move around the room to the music – look for traditional South American music for inspiration (See Resource 1 at the bottom of this pack!)

Step 2: When the music stops make the shape of your first letter (B) – try to use your whole body!

Step 3: Move around the room to the music and repeat until you have spelled all the letters... **B R A Z I L**

Task ideas/starting points

Task 1: Where is Brazil?

Using a Map of South America (See Resource 2 at the bottom of this pack!), see if you can identify where Brazil is.

- What shape is it?
- What other countries is it near?
- What countries does it border? (A country that it is directly next to it)
- Draw your own compass and hold it next to your Map of South America (See Resource 3 at the bottom of this pack!). Use it to complete the following sentences by circling the correct answer:

Brazil is ____North/South____ of Argentina

Argentina is ____ North/South____ of Brazil

Brazil is ____East/West____ of Ecuador

Ecuador is ____East/West____ of Brazil

Task 2: True or False?

Create a heading with two tables like so, and place the statements under each heading:

TRUE	FALSE

Brazil is North-East of Argentina

Brazil is North-West of Argentina

In Brazil, the official language is Portuguese

In Brazil, the official language is Russian

The capital city of Brazil is Brasilia

The capital city of Brazil is Sao Paulo



Football is the most popular sport in Brazil

Golf is the most popular sport in Brazil

Task developments

Task 3: GAME – Luta De Galo

(Luta = Fight, Gallo = Rooster)

This is a great game to play with a partner, or even as part of a tournament with family or guardians at home! Follow the steps below to play:

Step 1: Find a partner to play with (an opponent) and a suitably large space

Step 2: Tuck a flag/handkerchief/tissue/sock into your back pocket

Step 3: Place one arm across your chest

Step 4: Bend one leg so as it is completely off the ground

Step 5: On the count of three, begin to hop to attempt to get your partners flag! Whoever get's the others flag first, is the winner!

(For a demonstration - see Resource 4 at the bottom of this pack!)

Task 4: Breakfast Samba Rhythms

Samba is a Brazilian music genre and dance style. This useful activity can help you to understand the common rhythms in samba – you can test them out by clapping your hands, tapping your table or have a bang on a saucepan!

Rhythm 1: EGGS + COF-FEE OR COF-FEE + EGGS
(LOUD BEAT) (Quiet beat x 2) (Quiet beat x 2) (LOUD BEAT)

Rhythm 1 experiments with volume and pace

Rhythm 2: TEA + COF-FEE TEA + COF-FEE TEA + COF-FEE
(Beat) (1/2 Beat x 2) (Beat) (1/2 Beat x 2) (Beat) (1/2 Beat x 2)

Rhythm 2 experiments with repetition and pace

Rhythm 3: BAKED BEANS COF – FEE TO- MA- TO (Repeat!)
(LOUD BEAT) (Quiet Beat) (1/2 Beat x 2) (1/2 Beat x 3)

Rhythm 3 experiments with repetition, pace and volume

Cool down ideas

It's time to go home! Can you remember what transport you chose to travel to Brazil today at the beginning of this resource? Ask someone to read these simple steps to you to relax your mind on our journey back home:

(Relaxing music will help! See Resource 5 at the bottom of this pack!)

- Lie flat on your back, with your palms open and your eyes closed, take some deep breaths – in through your nose and out through your mouth.
- Imagine you are looking out of the window of your (e.g. a train). What do you see?
- What does the sky look like: is it clear and blue with bright sun? Is it dark and stormy with thick clouds? Is it a beautiful sunset?
- What does the landscape look like: are there trees and flowers? Is it empty and vast like a desert? Are there buildings and houses?
- Really try to capture the images in your mind, as if you are really looking out of the window at the world in front of you.
- When you are ready, wiggle your fingers and toes and gently, bring yourself to a sitting position. Well done!

Outcome

Great job! You now know...

- What traditional South American music sounds like
- How to use your body in a creative way to make different shapes including letters and modes of transport
- How to find Brazil on a map and have practiced using a compass
- A fun game to play with a partner or more
- What basic samba rhythms are and how to practice them
- How to use your imagination to help you relax

Resources and useful links

Resource 1: Traditional Brazilian Music

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4_58J87bAW4

Resource 2: Interactive Map of South America

http://www.yourchildlearns.com/south_america_map.htm

Resource 3: Compass Example

<https://www.shutterstock.com/search/compass+rose>

Resource 4: Luta de Galo Game Tutorial <https://youtu.be/fOD2vDne7kk>

Resource 5: Relaxing Music for Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5HrkXT5Bc9E>

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