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D-- answer the following in 12 sentences.

1. what are the two main languages spoken in South America?

Ans. the two main languages spoken in South America are Spanish and Portuguese.

2. which is the second largest country of South America?

Ans. Argentina is the second largest country of South America.

3. what are the hardwood trees found in the Gran Chaco region known as?

Ans. The Gran Chaco region has hardwood trees known as the red quebrachos.

4. Name the famous active volcanoes found in the Andes region.

Ans. Ojos Del Salado, Chimborazo and Cotopaxi famous active volcanoes in the Andes region.

5. Name the highest lake in South America.

Ans. Lake Titicaca is the highest lake in South America.

E. answer the following in 4 - 5 sentences.

1. What are the main crops grown in South America?

Ans. In South America food crops like wheat, Maize, rice and potato are grown. cash crops like coffee, sugarcane, cocoa and banana are grown on plantations.

2. what do you know about the equatorial forest?

Ans. Equatorial forests are found North and South of the equator within the torrid zone. heavy rainfall occurs throughout the year and it is hot and humid as well.

3. What are Llanos and Campos?

Ans. In the Orinoco Basin and Guiana Highlands tropical grasslands are called Llanos and in the Brazilian Highlands they bear the name Campos.

4. what are the two areas of the Eastern Highlands?

Ans. the Eastern Highlands can be divided into two areas The Guiana Highland and the Brazilian Highlands.

5. what do you know about the temperate desert of South America?

Ans. temperate desert of South America lies below the Pampas on the Patagonia plateau going south down to Tierra del Fuego. Here summers are hot and winters are cold. the

vegetation is limited to thorny bushes and cactisentenc

F. Answer the following in 8 to 10 sentences.

1. Write a short note on the Central plain.

Ans. The central plain or central lowlands are found between the Eastern Highlands and the Andes mountains and consists of three river basins which drain into the Atlantic Ocean.

*Orinoco basin

*Amazon basin

*River plate basin

2. what do you know about the fishing industry in South America?

Ans. The best fishing Grounds are located in the Western coastal areas of South America. The meeting place of the warm and cold ocean currents, off the coast of Peru, has helped it to become a leading producer and exporter in the world. The Chilean coast is also a major fishing ground.

3. write brief notes on the following

i) Temperate grasslands - These grasslands are called the Pampas and are found South of the Gran Chaco in North-East Argentins and in Uruguay. During summer there is moderate amount of rain and temperatures are warm. Winters are cold.

ii) Hot desert -It is located to the west of the continent . The climate therefore is very hot in summer with cool winters. Rainfall is almost non-existent.

4. South America has a wide variety of birds and animals. Discuss with examples.

Ans. South American rainforest ,swamps ,grasslands, rivers, mountains and deserts are alive with a wide variety of animal and bird species. These are more than 1500 species of colourful birds and it is also known as the bird continent. The Amazon forests are home to armadillos, giant ant-eaters, anacondas and colourful birds. The tropical forests have Birds like toucans, humming birds, parrots and flamingosAmeric

5. Describe the Western mountains of South America.

Ans. The Western mountains, better known as the Andes are in fact a continuation of the North American Western Cordilleras. They are young fold mountains with a length of around 4500 miles, that pass through seven countries of the continent. It is not just one Chain but at least three Chains of mountains many of which are active volcanoes.