# **Chapter 12 Section 3 South America Today**

## The Economy

- 1. What are all South America's countries considered?
- 2. What countries have the strongest economies?

# Agriculture

- 3. Agriculture in South America ranges from...
- 4. What are minifundia?
- 5. In most countries who owns the best land?
- 6. What is the basis for most of the poverty and unrest in South America?
- 7. What regions have the most highly developed market-oriented farming?
- 8. What does Brazil produce more than any other country in the world?
- 9. What is Columbia's newest industry?
- 10. What does Chile sell to the United States?
- 11. What does Argentina specialize in?

### Focus on Economics: Amazon Basin Development

12. What have played important roles in the development of the Amazon Basin?

13. What is Manaus?

14. What product was in high demand after the late 1800's?

15. Why did the boom for rubber end?

- 16. Name three other resources the rain forest is being exploited for today.
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
- 17. How many square miles of rain forest are cleared each year?

#### Industry

- 18. What do most South American factories produce?
- 19. Why are profits limited?
- 20. What is needed for economic progress?

21. What is Mercosur?

- 22. What is the purpose of Mercosur?
- 23. What countries are members of Mercosur?

## **Urban Environments**

- 24. Where do large parts of each countries population live?
- 25. Where do 1/3 of Chile's people live?
- 26. Where do 1/3 of Peru's people live?
- 27. Why are people moving to cities?
- 28. Name a push factor in migration to the cities.
- 29. Name a pull factor in migration to the cities.
- 30. Why do few find good jobs once in the cities?
- 31. What are ranchos, callampas, and favelas?

#### **Issues and Challenges**

- 32. South American governments have become more...
- 33. Why do you think a high birth rate would make development harder?
- 34. Name three things that create tensions throughout the region.
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
- 35. What environmental issue is of major importance to many people around the world?

36. What may happen to the Amazon over the next 100 years?

37. Why is soil exhaustion a problem?

38. What does overgrazing do?

39. What are many South American countries involved in with each other?

40. What does it mean that a country is landlocked?

41. Why would being landlocked be a negative thing for a country?

42. What is terrorism?

43. How is terrorism being used in Columbia?

44. Explain how the drug trade has caused much of the violence.