



GY = Guyana, SR = Suriname, GF = French Guiana

Locate Brazil: Use the maps above to answer the below questions:

- a. Name the 10 countries which border Brazil.

- b. What continent is Brazil in and describe its location with reference to lines of latitude?

- c. Describe the physical geography and surrounding oceans of Brazil.

- d. What is the capital of Brazil?

- e. What do you already know about migration or ethnic groups in Brazil?

Background information on Brazil : (source, CIA World Fact Book)

- Following more than three centuries under Portuguese rule, Brazil gained its independence in 1822, maintaining a monarchical system of government until the abolition of slavery in 1888 and the subsequent proclamation of a republic by the military in 1889.
- Brazilian coffee exporters politically dominated the country until populist leader Getulio VARGAS rose to power in 1930.
- By far the largest and most populous country in South America, Brazil underwent more than a half century of populist and military government until 1985, when the military regime peacefully ceded power to civilian rulers.
- Brazil continues to pursue industrial and agricultural growth and development of its interior. Having successfully weathered a period of global financial difficulty in the late 20th century, Brazil was seen as one of the world's strongest emerging markets and a contributor to global growth.
- The awarding of the 2014 FIFA World Cup and 2016 Summer Olympic Games, the first ever to be held in South America, was seen as symbolic of the country's rise. However, from about 2013 to 2016, Brazil was plagued by a sagging economy, high unemployment, and high inflation, only emerging from recession in 2017.
- Political scandal resulted in the impeachment of President Dilma ROUSSEFF in May 2016, a conviction that was upheld by the Senate in August 2016; her vice president, Michel TEMER, will serve as president until 1 January 2019, completing her second term.

	Number	Units	Factor
1		Metres	Mean elevation
2		Percentage	Forest land use
3		n/a	Population
4		Percentage	Population 15 - 24 years old
5		Years	Median age
6		/1000	Birth Rate
7		Deaths/100,000 live births	Maternal mortality rate
8		Percentage	Urban population
9		Percentage	Literacy rate
10		Years	School life expectancy
11		Years	Life expectancy

Numbers:

- a. 16.29%
- b. 86.6%
- c. 92.6%
- d. 208,846,892
- e. 32.4 years
- f. 320m
- g. 15 years
- h. 61.9%
- i. 13.9
- j. 44
- k. 74.3 years