## **Boarshaw Primary School - Geography**

Topic: Why has Brazil got one of the fastest growing economies?

Year 5

## Previous knowledge: What should I already know?

- The names of the world's seven continents and five oceans.
- How to use a map, an atlas or a globe to identify geographical features such as continents, countries, oceans, rivers and mountains.
- Describe key aspects of physical and human geography including climate zones, habitats, populations and settlements.

# Key knowledge: What should I know by the end of the unit?

- Use maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping to find and identify features of Brazil and South America.
- Describe and understand aspects of human geography including different types of economic activity.
- Identify and understand key physical characteristics of the region of South America.

## Key facts / information

#### **Human features**



Christ the
Redeemer statue
is a religious
statue that stands
on top of
Corcovado
Mountain



### **Physical features**



Copacabana beach is 4km long.



Estadio Beira-Rio hosted 5 of the 2014 FIFA World Cup games





Sugarloaf Mountain is nearly 400m high.

#### Vocabulary

**biodiversity** – the wide range of living things on Earth.

city - a large town

**climate** – the weather and temperature usually found in an area over a long period of time.

**continent –** the Earth's main continuous pieces of land: Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Australia.

country – a nation with its own government.
economy – the system by which goods and services are produced, sold and bought in a country.
ecosystem – a community of plants and animals that rely on each other to survive.

**human features –** areas of land or features that are man-made / synthetic. They are there because of human ideas or actions.

**physical features –** naturally occurring features such as seas, rivers, mountains, landforms, weather, climate, plant and animal life.

rainforest – an area of dense forest typically found in tropical areas where there is heavy rainfall.vegetation – plants and trees in a specific region.

### Key facts / information

Capital city: Brasilia

**Population: 203,062,512** (2022 census)

Area: 8,515,767 km<sup>2</sup>

Official language: Portuguese

- Brazil is the largest country on the continent of South America and the fifth largest country in the world.
- It shares land borders with 10 other South American countries and has a long coastal border with the Atlantic Ocean.
- The only South American countries that Brazil does not share a border with are Chile and Ecuador.
- Latitude: 15° 49' S, 47° 55' W



	End of unit
What natural resources is Brazil famous for?	
What continent is Brazil in?	
. What is Brazil's capital city?	
Name the countries that neighbour Brazil	
What do you know about the street children of Brazil?	
What are the strengths of Brazil as a country?	
What challenges does Brazil face?	