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- What does the term “Technology innovation” mean?
  
  **Answer:** Improving an existing product

- What is the primary factor that influences the need for technology?
  
  **Answer:** Economy

- Why is the rainforest important?
  
  **Answer:** Deforestation, Medical Research, Natives homeland

- How can all countries contribute to medical research worldwide?
  
  **Answer:** Native Medicinal Cures

- Understand how a society can advance?
  
  **Answer:** Inventions, Technological innovations, Scientific discoveries

- How big, in population and size, is South America?
  
  **Answer:** 4th largest in size and 3rd largest in population

- What is a significant characteristic about the Atacama Desert?
  
  **Answer:** driest desert in the world

- What is South America’s southernmost landform?
  
  **Answer:** The Pampas

- What are some characteristics of the Andes Mountains?
  
  **Answer:** It’s the longest mountain range in the world

- Where is Jamaica?
  
  **Answer:** Caribbean Sea

- Compare and contrast The Sierra Madre Oriental and The Sierra Madre Occidental.
  
  **Answer:** Sierra Madre Occidental is made out of volcanic material.

- Where are the Andes Mountains located?
  
  **Answer:** along the west coast line of South America

- The Amazon River flows through what country?
  
  **Answer:** Brazil

- Study your Central America and South America map for Landforms/bodies of water.
  
  **Answer:** Using a map, be prepared to identify Brazil, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Isthmus of Panama, Mexico and Guatemala, Pacific Ocean
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- Timber is a popular resource for whom?
  Answer: Brazil

- What is deforestation?
  Answer: widespread cutting of trees

- Venezuela’s major resource is what?
  Answer: oil

- Where is the Amazon Basin located?
  Answer: Northern region of Brazil

- Where do most people in Central America work?
  Answer: farms

- Why are the Central Highlands so fertile?
  Answer: Volcanic material

- Why does deforestation occur?
  Answer: Building homes for growing cities, building roads and clearing land for farms, mining natural resources

- Describe what an isthmus is.
  Answer: Narrow land with water on two sides.

- Explain how the Tropical Rainforest is like the earth’s lungs.
  Answer: This area changes carbon dioxide to oxygen in the earth’s atmosphere.

- Why was the Panama Canal created?
  Answer: To shorten the travel route from Pacific Ocean to Atlantic Ocean.

- How did Spain and Portugal influence Latin America?
  Answer: The architecture, language and religions

- The Rockies in North America are similar to what in South America?
  Answer: Andes