

# The Amazon



The Amazon is a great river in South America. It flows 6.250 kilometres from the Andes mountains to the Atlantic ocean. It starts in central Peru and crosses Brazil. The mouth of the river is on the equator and is 650 kilometres wide. The fresh, river water flows 350 kilometres out to sea. Steamships visit the cities of Belem, Manaus and Iquitos, 3.650 from the Atlantic. The Amazon basin is a big lowland with forest and swamps. Hundred of different animals live there. The people of the Amazon are Indians. They are hunters, fishermen and farmers. The farmers grow rubber, pepper and vegetables for the cities.

## GUIDED COMPOSITION

Answer the questions in one paragraph using complete sentences.

1. Where is the Amazon?

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2. Where does it start?

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3. Is the mouth of the river on the equator, or not?

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4. How far out to sea does the fresh, river water flow?

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5. Is the Amazon basin a lowland or a highland?

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6. What are the people of the Amazon?

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7. What do they grow for the cities?

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## MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

1.- The Amazon flows .....

- a) from the mountains to the sea
- b) to central Peru
- c) From Brazil to Peru
- d) from the Atlantic to Brazil



2.- Steamships.....

- a) go 350 kilometres up the Amazon.
- b) go 350 kilometres out the sea
- c) carry fishermen to the swamp
- d) go 3.650 kilometres up the Amazon



3.- The mouth of the river is ..... the equator

- a) up
- b) on
- c) in
- d) to

4.-.....people of the Amazon are Indians.

- a) A
- b) An
- c) The
- d) This



5.- ..... are hunters, fishermen and farmers.

- a) He
- b) It
- c) Them
- d) They

6.- The ..... river water goes 350 kilometres out the sea.

- a) pure
- b) new
- c) sweet
- d) fresh

7.- The Amazon is a big lowland

- a) bowl
- b) basin
- c) valley
- d) plain

8.-The farmers grow..... for the cities.

- a) goods
- b) swaps
- c) vegetables
- d) paper

