

Southern Countries: Test

Complete the following exercises based on your class notes about Chile, Argentina, and Uruguay. Work independently and use specific historical and geographical details.

Part 1: Key Terms & Concepts

Word Bank: Estancia | Gaucho | Pampas | Buffer State | Shoestring Republic

Write the correct term from the word bank next to its definition.

Definition	Term
1. Vast, fertile grassy plains of central Argentina, known for cattle and grain.	
2. A nickname for Chile due to its long, narrow geographical shape.	
3. A large grazing farm or ranch, typical of the Southern Cone's agriculture.	
4. A cowboy of the South American plains, often a symbol of national pride.	
5. A term often used for Uruguay because it sits between the giants of Brazil and Argentina.	

Part 2: Geographic & Economic Features



6. Which major mountain range serves as the natural border between Chile and Argentina?

- a) The Sierra Madre b) The Andes Mountains
c) The Alps d) The Atlas Mountains

7. What technological invention helped Argentina's beef industry expand globally?

- a) Steam engines b) Refrigerated ships
c) The cotton gin d) Barbed wire

8. Which two European countries provided the most immigrants to Argentina during its economic boom?

a) Germany and France

b) Italy and Spain

c) Portugal and Greece

d) England and Ireland

9. Name Chile's primary mineral export today.

a) Gold

b) Lithium

c) Copper

d) Silver

Part 3: History & Politics

10. Order the following historical events of the Southern Cone from earliest (1) to latest (4).

	Return to democracy after military juntas
	Spanish exploration and colonization
	Economic boom from the Pampas exports
	Independence movements led by San Martín