

The Riachuelo

The Riachuelo is a small river in Argentina. It is in the south of Buenos Aires city. The river is next to the famous neighborhood “La Boca”. Many people visit *La Boca* to see the colorful houses, the bridge, and the street art.

On the boundaries of the Riachuelo, there are many factories and houses.

The Riachuelo is highly contaminated because the factories throw waste and rubbish into the water. The river is very dirty. This pollution is bad for the people who live next to the river. The air is not clean, and many people have health problems like skin allergies, breathing problems, and stomach illnesses because of the dirty water and air.

The government and the city are working to clean the river and the areas around it. It is important to help the families who live there and protect the environment.

The Riachuelo is a famous place in Buenos Aires, but it needs care and attention.

✓ Activities

A) Write the words below the pictures

RIVER BRIDGE COLORFUL HOUSES HEALTH

PROBLEMS FACTORIES WASTE CONTAMINATED



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B) True or False

1. The Riachuelo is in the north of Buenos Aires. **TRUE FALSE**
 2. The river is clean today. **TRUE FALSE**
 3. There are factories and houses near the Riachuelo. **TRUE FALSE**
 4. Pollution is bad for the people who live next to the river. **TRUE FALSE**
 5. The city wants to clean the river. **TRUE FALSE**
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c) Complete the sentences

1. The Riachuelo is a _____ in Argentina.
 2. It is next to the neighborhood called _____.
 3. Factories throw _____ and rubbish into the river.
 4. Many people visit *La Boca* to see the _____ houses.
 5. Pollution can cause _____ problems for people.
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C) Match the words

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| 1. Factory ☐ | a. Dirty water and air |
| 2. River ☐ | b. Not clean. |
| 3. Pollution ☐ | c. A building that makes things |
| 4. Skin ☐ | d. The organ that covers our body. |
| 5. Dirty ☐ | e. Water that moves to the sea |
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D) Write 3 things you can see near the Riachuelo:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____