

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. Based on the information in the text, why is São Paulo the largest city in South America?
  - Ⓐ because it is in Brazil
  - Ⓑ because it has many factories
  - Ⓒ because it has plantations
  - Ⓓ because it has large hotels
2. Why is Portuguese Brazil's main language?
  - Ⓐ because Brazil was a Portuguese colony for many years
  - Ⓑ because so many people traveled to Portugal from Brazil
  - Ⓒ because people are descended from the native people of Brazil
  - Ⓓ because Portuguese is an easy language to learn
3. The **Pantanal** is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ a large wetland
  - Ⓑ an area with many mountains
  - Ⓒ a raised area of flat land
  - Ⓓ the area around the Amazon River
4. What is the main idea of the paragraph about Carnival?
  - Ⓐ Carnival leads up to Lent, which lasts six weeks.
  - Ⓑ Carnival is a holiday in which people have parades and dancing.
  - Ⓒ Carnival is a holiday in which people dress in costumes.
  - Ⓓ Carnival is the largest and most popular holiday in Brazil.
5. Why are animals in the Amazon rainforest and the Pantanal losing their habitat?
  - Ⓐ because people are hunting them
  - Ⓑ because people are clearing the land
  - Ⓒ because other animals are taking over their habitat
  - Ⓓ because people are planting fewer trees

*Quick Check continued on following page*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Extended Response:** What kinds of jobs do people have in Brazil's countryside? What kinds of jobs do people have in Brazil's cities? Compare and contrast the jobs in these two places.

1. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
2. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
3. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
6. Answers will vary but should compare and contrast jobs that Brazilians in the city might have with jobs that Brazilians in the countryside might have. Example:  
*City jobs include construction, banking, education, and healthcare, as well as working in hotels, restaurants, or factories. Countryside jobs include farming coffee, oranges, cassava, or soybeans, raising hogs or chickens, ranching or mining iron ore, tin, or gold.*