

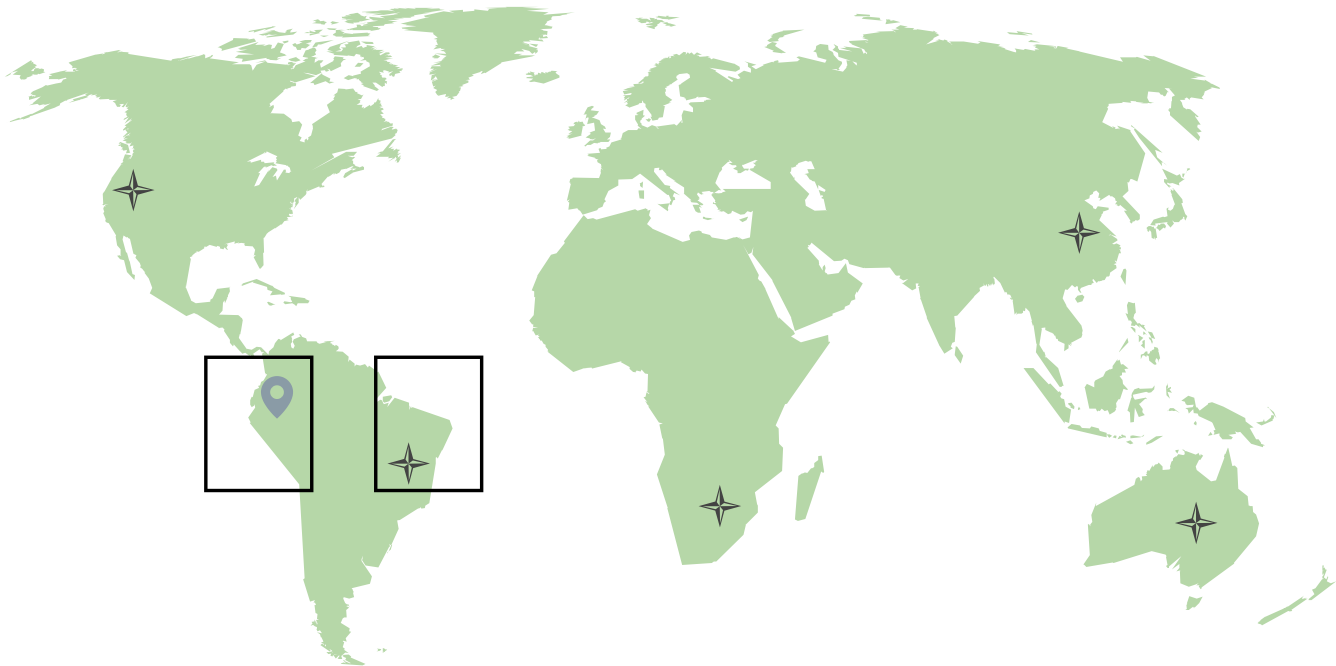


Peru

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Peru location



Physical geography

- About half of Peru is made up of the largest rainforest in the world, the Amazon.
- Peru is the third largest country in South America
- Peru is home to the world longest river, the Amazon, river.
- Peru can experience something called El Niño, where the warm water replaces the cold in the currents, heavy rain and drought can also occur.
- Peru is home to the youngest and longest mountain range, stretching across Peru, Bolivia and northern Argentina and Chile.



History



- Peru was part of the Inca Empire, and was a major trade center for them.
- Peru was conquered by Francisco Pizarro in 1524
- In 1821 general José de San Martín drove out the Spanish.
- Humans have lived in Peru for over 13,000 years
- Some major tsunamis in Peru's history are in 1586, 1604, 1687, and 1746



Culture

- Peru suffers from poverty, and it fluctuates between getting better and worse. ✨
- In the Peruvian community, day of the dead is celebrated for 3 days.
- Peruvians wear the color yellow to symbolize a bright new day.
- Women have a hard time getting an education, accessing healthcare, owning a land or business and getting employed.
- Many families send their children to work instead of school due to the fact that they can't afford it.



Miscellaneous



- They have many native dishes in Peru including guinea pig and alpaca meat.
- One of their festivals they celebrates Entrega de Varas, where they pick new village authorities.
- They use the Peruvian currency, Nuevo sol
- They have many holidays, one includes St. Peter and St. Paul's day. Which celebrates the Catholic churches feast day of St. Peter and St. Paul.
- Peru suffers from many diseases, some of which vaccines, some do not, examples are, malaria And yellow fever.





Reading or watching something about a culture or country on an iPad is one thing, but learning from it from someone who is from there or grew up there, it's so much more. Yes you can read about the same major events that happened in Peru, but being told by someone who experienced it, is much more interesting and means more to me.



If everyone at fishers junior high had the same background, were the same religion, grew up in the same place, that, I think would be a very boring school. It would be very bland. So having different cultures and stories makes our school what it is.

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