

SOUTH AMERICA

CUBE CODE

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How many languages are used in Brazil?

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B. 50
C. 100
D. 150

The number of miles shorter the Amazon River is than the Nile River MINUS 90.

The FIRST number of the lock is the number of different countries South America is made up of MINUS 10.

The THIRD number of the lock is the number of continents that make up the land mass of the earth MINUS 3.

4	fourth	7	second
5	Alps	8	Amazon
6	Colombia	9	Nile

Thanks to the _____ River, some of the wettest places in the world are found in _____.

Desert in _____ with little _____.

Desert is _____ include _____.

Desert _____ in _____.

22 _____

NAME: _____

STATION 2:

First, number ALL the paragraphs on your reading passage. Then, read each statement below and determine which paragraph NUMBER the statement can be found in. Lastly, eliminate ANY answer where the answer was found in an EVEN numbered paragraph, leaving only ODD numbers as your final code (in the order of questions). Paragraph numbers MAY be used more than one time or not at all.

STATION 3:

Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color or shade the coin that corresponds to the question. If the statement is false, cross out that coin value. Once you are finished add the TOTAL of ALL TRUE coin values. The code has been provided for you. If the total is 625, a 6 in the first box, the 2 in the second box and so on.

A 75	A. South Sandwich and North Georgia Islands are claimed by the British.	E 100
B 25	B. The Amazon River carries more water than any other river on earth.	F 75
C 50	C. Lake Okeechobee is the biggest lake in South America.	G 50
D 25	D. Tourists can visit Machu Picchu and the Nazca Lines in Peru.	H 25
E 100	E. The Aconcagua is a part of the Andes Mountain Range.	I 75

A Quechua is the language spoken by the Inca.

B The most iconic stadium in the world is located in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, known as Maracana Stadium.

C Mount Ac _____

D The high Angel _____

E The sr _____

F Braz _____

ELIMINAT

SOUTH AMERICA

Of the seven continents that cover the land area of our earth, the fourth largest continent in size is South America. South America, primarily in the southern hemisphere, covers nearly 7 million square miles of land. There are roughly 438.5 million people who call South America home making it the fifth largest continent in population. South America is made up of 12 different countries and three dependencies which are countries that do not have their own independent government. Brazil is the largest South American country in both size and population.

The 12 countries that makeup South America are Brazil, Argentina, Peru, Colombia, Bolivia, Venezuela, Chile, Paraguay, Ecuador, Guyana, Uruguay, and _____.

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4 DIGIT CODE:



STATION 1:

Use your reading passage or deductive reasoning skills to determine the missing words in the paragraph below. Each missing word has a corresponding NUMBER. The 4-digit code will be the NUMBER of each missing word in the same order in which they appear in the paragraph.

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STATION 4:

Use your reading passage to determine the combination to the 4-digit lock. You're going to have to use your critical thinking skills and do a tiny bit of math. Pay attention because the "clues" below are NOT in order.

STATION 5:

Answer each multiple choice question below. Then, count the number of times you used each letter answer (ABCD) to reveal your 4 digit code. Answer options may be used more than once or not at all. If a letter option is not used, simply put a zero in the box.

STATION 6:

Reread the passage and write the main idea in your own words. Then, add TWO supporting details that back up your main idea or topic sentence.

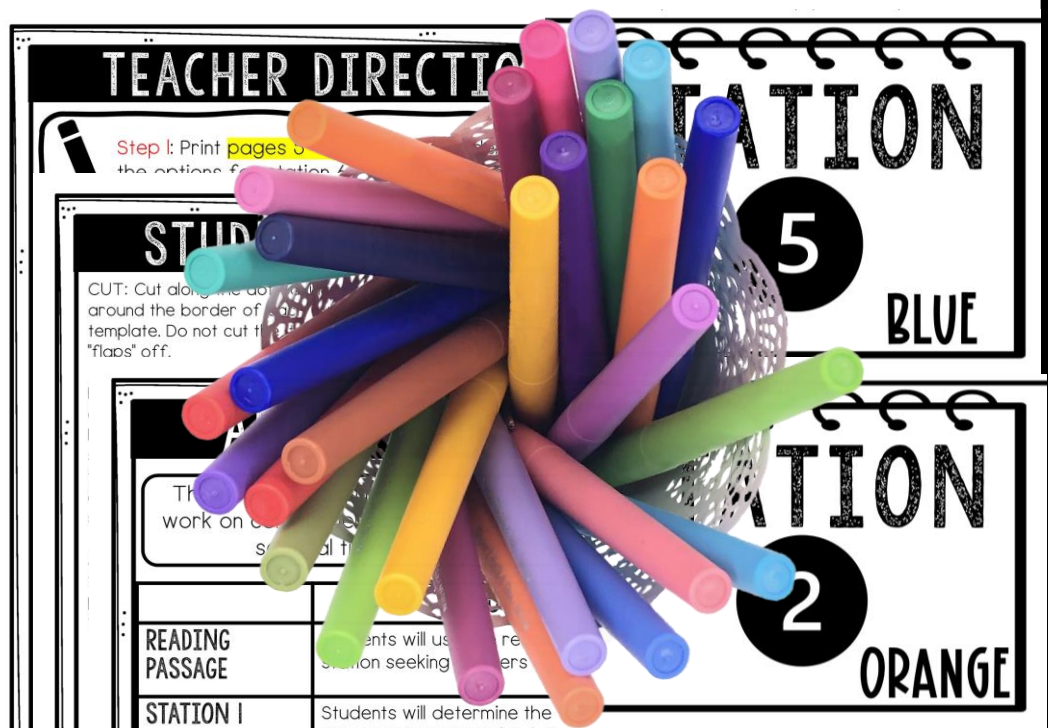
STATION

1

RED

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- READING PASSAGE
- 6 STATIONS
- TEACHER GUIDE
- STATION CARDS
- ANSWER KEY
- STUDENT DIRECTIONS
- TEXT MARKING OPTION
- ALTERNATE STATION
- ASSEMBLY TIPS



6 STATIONS

STATION 1:

Use your reading passage or deductive reasoning to determine the missing words in the paragraph below. The missing word has a corresponding NUMBER. The 4-digit code will be the NUMBER of each missing word in the same order in which they appear in the paragraph.

1	Andes	4	fourth	7	second
2	Chile	5	Alps	8	Amazon
3	Paraguay	6	Colombia	9	Nile

Thanks to the _____ River, some of the wettest places in the world are found in the _____ mountains. However, the driest place on earth is the Atacama Desert in _____, which receives almost no rain. The Atacama Desert is one of the _____ deserts in the world. Other deserts include the Sahara Desert in _____ and La Guayana Desert in _____.

STATION

1

RED

Mount _____ is the tallest mountain in South America. It is an impressive 22,837 feet tall, making it the _____ tallest mountain in the world. The Aconcagua is a part of the _____ Mountain Range.

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MAIN IDEA

STATION

6



SUPPORTING DETAIL #2

STATION 4:

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The LAST number of the lock is the percent of water the Catatumbo River provides to Lake Maracaibo MINUS 50.

The SECOND number of the lock is

STATION

4

GREEN

4 DIGIT CODE

STATION 5:

Answer each multiple choice question below. Then, count the number of times you used each letter answer (ABCD) to reveal your 4 digit code. Answer options may be used more than once or not at all. If a letter option is not used, put a zero in the box.

What is the smallest country in South America?

- A. Bolivia
- B. Suriname
- C. Ecuador
- D. Guyana

What is the highest waterfall in the world?

- A. Sutherland Falls
- B. Santo del Angel

What desert is the driest on earth?

- A. Sahara
- B. Monte Desert
- C. La Guayana
- D. Atacama

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STATION

5

BLUE

A B C D

STATION 3:

Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color or shade the coin that corresponds to the value. If the statement is false, do not color or shade the coin. One coin has been colored to show the first digit of the code.

STATION

3

YELLOW

A 75

B 25

C 50

D 100

C. Lake Okechobee is the biggest lake in South America.

D. Tourists visit Machu Picchu in Peru.

E. The Aconcagua is a part of the Andes Mountain Range.

F. The smallest country in South America is Uruguay.

G. Of the seven, the second largest continent in size is South America.

H. The Incan Civilization was a dominant force in South America before the Spanish and Portuguese colonized the continent.

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STATION 2:

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STATION

2

ORANGE

A

B

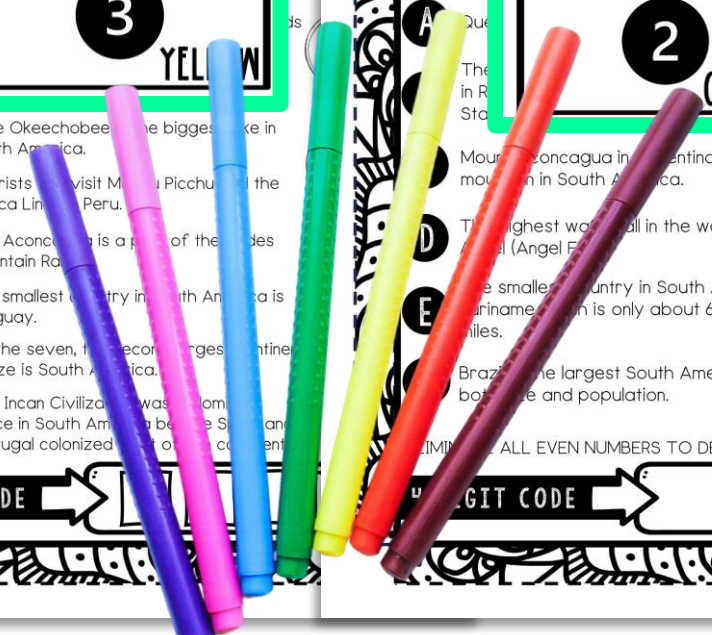
C

D

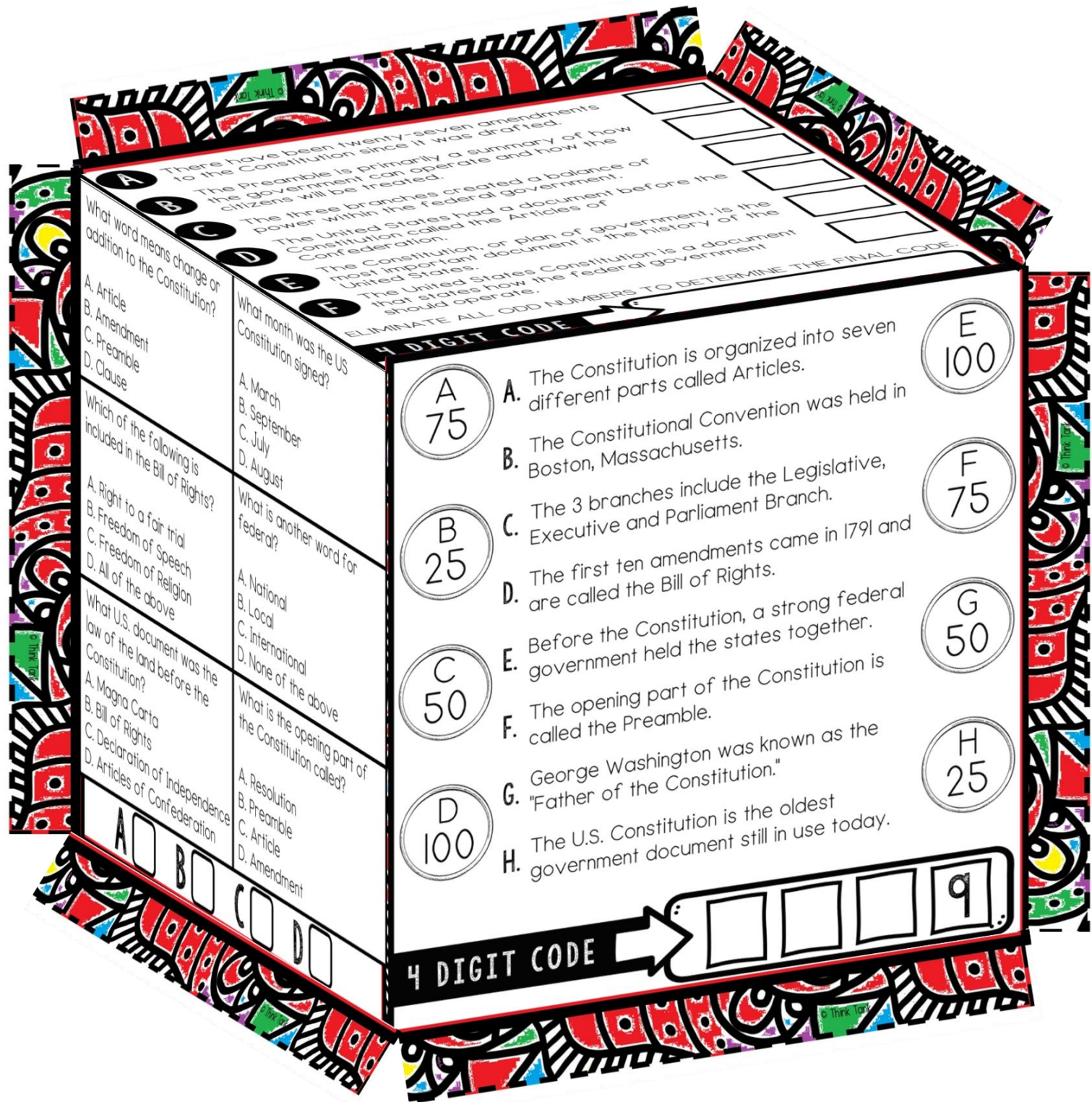
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ELIMINATE ALL EVEN NUMBERS TO DETERMINE THE FINAL CODE.

4 DIGIT CODE



SAMPLE CUBE




STATIONS

STATION 1	Students will determine the missing words in the paragraph to reveal a 4 digit code.
STATION 2	Students will number the paragraphs and browse the passage to determine where the answers can be found (paragraph number). After eliminating EVEN numbers, a 4 digit code will be revealed.
STATION 3	Students will read each statement and determine if it is true or false. They will then ADD all TRUE values to find the 4 digit code.
STATION 4	Students will do some basic math here, read the passage to find the answers and then determine the 4 digit code.
STATION 5	Students will answer 6 multiple choice questions which lead them to a 4 digit code based on the number of times they used each "answer".
STATION 6	Option 1: Main idea writing activity Option 2: Color and add topic
TEXT MARKING	OPTIONAL: A color code chart is included in case you want students to mark the text citing evidence of where they found their answers.

**STUDENTS WILL
USE THE SAME
READING
PASSAGE AT
EACH STATION
SEEKING
ANSWERS AND
TEXT EVIDENCE.**

HOW IT WORKS



ENGAGING READING COMPREHENSION PRACTICE!

1

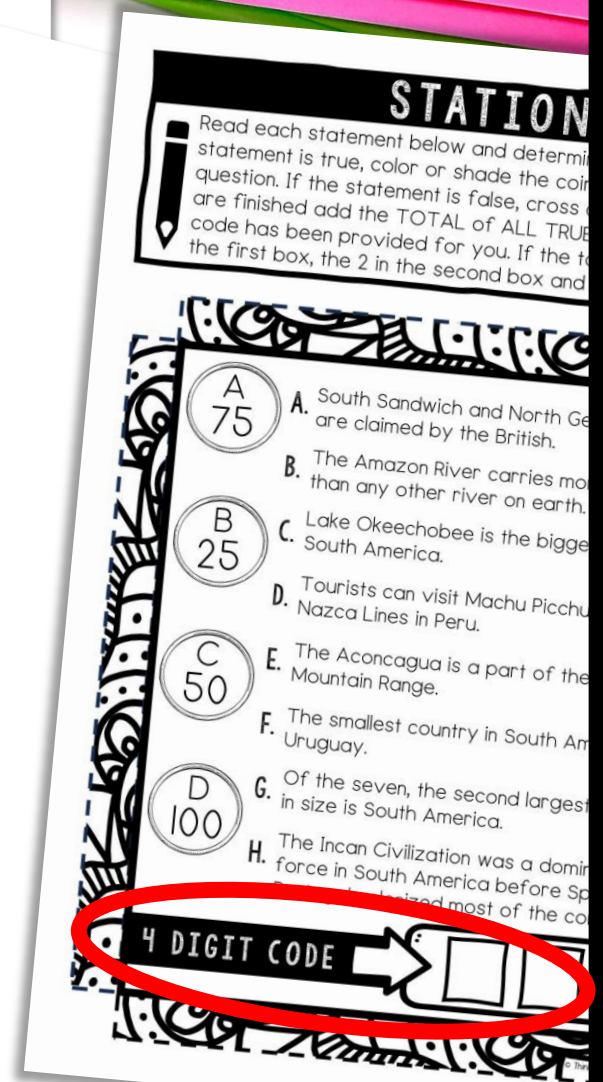
Students work individually (or in pairs) and visit 6 stations, grabbing one side of their cube at each station.

2

Students will answer the questions (found directly in the passage) on their cube sheet before assembly. Students will revisit their reading passage at EACH station!

3

Students will reveal 4-digit codes to move on to the next station. When they finish all stations, they can color and assemble their cube.



STATION

Read each statement below and determine if the statement is true, color or shade the corresponding question. If the statement is false, cross it out. When you are finished add the TOTAL of ALL TRUE answers. A 4-digit code has been provided for you. If the total is 75, the first box, the 2 in the second box and the 5 in the third box.

A
75

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COMBINATION



Each Cube Code is a winning combination of:



- stations and movement
- close reading
- comprehension skills
- coloring and stress relief
- secret codes
- cut and paste
- citing evidence
- critical thinking

Everything a teacher dreams of wrapped up into one FUN and engaging activity!

BENEFITS



THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX!

-  ANTICIPATORY SETS
-  UNIT REVIEW
-  EARLY FINISHERS
-  STATIONS
-  SUB PLANS
-  PARTNER WORK
-  ENRICHMENT

-  HANDS-ON
-  CROSS-CURRICULAR
-  HIGHLY ENGAGING

