**Latin America Study Guide**                                      Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Briefly describe each level of vertical zonation in the Andes Mountains:

      Tierra Caliente—

      Tierra Templada—

      Tierra Fria—

1. Which parts of Latin America are most affected by earthquakes and volcanoes?
2. What types of ethnic groups are found in Latin America?
3. Which European countries colonized Latin America?
4. What is slash and burn agriculture?  Where is it occurring in Latin America?
5. Where is the world’s largest tropical rainforest?
6. Where is the driest area in Latin America?
7. What language is spoken in Brazil?  Why?
8. What causes the greatest loss of trees in the Amazon rainforest?
9. What are the Llanos and Pampas regions and where can they be found?
10. What type of agricultural activity is the most popular in the Pampas region?  How are gauchos involved?
11. Why are seasons in the southern hemisphere reversed from those in the northern hemisphere?
12. What is a megacity?
13. Why do squatter settlements appear around megacities in Latin America?
14. Which country in Latin America is a major producer of copper?
15. Which two countries in Latin America are major producers of iron ore?
16. Which three countries in Latin America produce significant amounts of oil?  Which one belongs to OPEC?
17. Why is Latin America called Latin America?
18. Where are the areas of high population density in Latin America?
19. Why is Brazil’s capital no longer at Rio de Janeiro?
20. Which type of Christianity is the most popular religion in Latin America?
21. Which ancient civilization built Machu Picchu and where can it be found?
22. Which ancient civilization built Tikal and where can it be found?
23. Which ancient civilization built Tenochtitlan and where can it be found?
24. Why is Mexico City the most polluted city in Latin America?
25. Name three archipelagoes in Latin America.
26. Where are the Andes and Sierra Madre Mountains?

--Label the following sites and regions on the map of Latin America by using the letters beside them.

1. Gulf of Mexico
2. Caribbean Sea
3. Buenos Aires, Argentina
4. Central America
5. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
6. Atacama Desert
7. Tikal
8. Pampas
9. Cuba
10. Amazon Basin