

CHAPTER 12

Guided Reading Strategies 12.2

South America

READING THE SECTION Each of the following sentences contains an underlined word or phrase that makes the sentence incorrect. As you read the section, use the space provided to write the word or phrase that makes the sentence correct.

- _____ 1. The first settlers to South America were subsistence farmers.
- _____ 2. The Chibcha founded South America's greatest early civilization, but were later conquered by Spanish conquistadores.
- _____ 3. The Spanish focused their efforts at conquest on the northern part of South America.
- _____ 4. A 1494 treaty had divided South America between Spain and England.
- _____ 5. Portuguese settlement began in the 1530s along the eastern coast of what is now Colombia.
- _____ 6. The Spanish colonies of South America all gained their independence between 1910 and 1930.
- _____ 7. Uruguay is an example of a latifundia state, a small country between two larger, more powerful countries.
- _____ 8. Approximately 97 percent of Argentines are of African ancestry.
- _____ 9. People in most South American countries speak French, but most Brazilians speak Portuguese.
- _____ 10. The majority of South Americans today are Muslim.

POST-READING QUICK CHECK After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, discuss the traditional ways of life of the rainforest peoples.
