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Argentina
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Subject Areas: Geography, Social Studies, Architecture, History

Synopsis:

Beginning with gaucho traditions in Patagonia, explores the entire country including the splendors of the Andes, the European settlements in the northern Lake District, aboriginal cultures in Tierra Del Fuego, the expanding tourist trade in Ushuaia, and the old desert city of Mendoza. With a focus on the eclectic, cosmopolitan culture in Buenos Aires, also explores coastal beaches and the nearby pampa. Closes with the wildlife and natural splendor of the Argentine rain forests.

Learning Objectives:

- Objective 1)** Students will be able to describe the distinctive geographical regions of Argentina.
- Objective 2)** Students will be able to differentiate the variety of ethnic backgrounds that the people of Argentina come from.
- Objective 3)** Students will be able to describe that sheep farming, agriculture and tourism are main industries.

Vocabulary:

Conquistadors, advent, gaucho, gauchos, lore, boleadoras, parceled, estancias, guanacos, rhea, regurgitate, condor, portend, cantilevers, archipelago, guanaco, physiological, arboretum, homage, fleet, pampas, egrets, ibis, multi-faceted, obelisk, chic, barrios, Bohemian, authentic, capuchin monkey, prehensile, Jesuit

Pre-Viewing Questions and Activities:

- 1) Where is Argentina located? What other South American countries are neighbors of Argentina?
- 2) What do you know of the geography of Argentina?
- 3) What do you know about the people of Argentina?
- 4) Can you name some of Argentina's outstanding political figures?
- 5) Does Argentina have an aboriginal population?

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Post-Viewing Questions and Discussion:

- 1) If you could visit only one region of Argentina, which would you choose? Why would you choose this region?
- 2) In what parts of Argentina would you find European settlements and European traditions?
- 3) How has the Argentine government attempted to integrate the aboriginal population into mainstream Argentine culture?
- 4) How has the tourist trade been promoted in Argentina?
- 5) What are Argentine traditions of music, dance and the arts?
- 6) Explain how Quinquela Martin has promoted artistic expression in the poorest neighborhood in Buenos Aires.

Additional Activities:

- 1) Investigate the history of Argentina prior to World War II. How did Argentina become one of world's great industrial powers? Why did Argentina lose this position?
- 2) Create a chart detailing the plants and animals found in the Argentine rainforest. Construct this chart to show the ecology or inter-relationships of these plants and animals.
- 3) Investigate popular sports and sports stars in Argentina.
- 4) Document the stages in the Argentine wool industry, from sheep farming to finished product.

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