



# ARGENTINA



Read this information carefully:

### The People.

There are around 37 million people in Argentina.  
Capital City: Buenos Aires  
Most come from European origins.  
Spanish is the official language of Argentina.  
While the religion of 9/10 people is Roman Catholic, most do not attend church regularly.



Polo, played by teams of 4 on horseback, is another sport the Argentinians are very good at.  
Basketball, rugby, volleyball, tennis and horse racing are also popular sports.

### Work.

In the past most people were farmers, now very few are.  
Most Argentinians now work in the service sector, the oil and gas industry, mining, shipbuilding, or the food, tobacco and automotive industries.



### Education.

Education is very important to people in Argentina.  
School is compulsory between the ages of 6 and 14.  
Unless students need to work full-time to help their families, they continue their education at secondary school.  
Argentina has about 50 universities.  
The average school day is between 8am and 12 noon, or between 1pm and 5pm.

### Food.

Most Argentinians eat 4 meals a day.  
Cena (dinner) in the evening is the largest meal of the day and almost always includes beef.  
The tradition of eating beef began in the 19th century.  
It is common for Argentinians to socialize over an 'asado', beef roast barbecued over an open fire.



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### Sports.

Argentina's national game is 'futbol' or soccer.  
The Argentinian national team is one of the best in the world and has won the World Cup in 1978 and 1986.

Answer these questions IN SENTENCES in your Homework Book.

1. What is the official language of Argentina?
2. Name 3 popular Argentinian sports.
3. What is the Argentine word for dinner? What do they usually eat for dinner?
4. What was the main job for Argentinians in the past?
5. What is the capital city of Argentina?
6. How long is the average school day in Argentina?
7. What is Argentina's population?
8. What is an 'asado'?

**Common Nouns.** Words that are used to name general things are called **common nouns**. Write the word from the list that names each group of things.

soccer, tennis, polo \_\_\_\_\_

apple, banana, peach \_\_\_\_\_

painting, sculpture, performance \_\_\_\_\_

Argentina, Brazil, France \_\_\_\_\_

Andes, Himalayas \_\_\_\_\_

shirt, trousers, shoes \_\_\_\_\_

beef, basil, tomato \_\_\_\_\_

farmer, miner, builder \_\_\_\_\_

occupations

art

mountain ranges

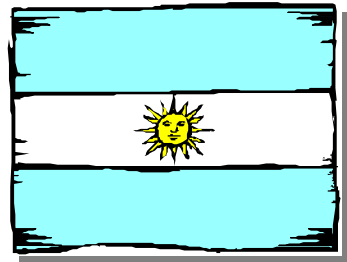
ingredients

fruits

countries

sports

clothing



How many smaller words can you make from

**ARGENTINA?**

5 Good 5-10 Great! 10-15 Amazing!! 15+ Astounding!!!

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## SOUTH AMERICA

ARGENTINA IS A COUNTRY OF SOUTH AMERICA. USE AN ATLAS TO HELP YOU WITH THE FOLLOWING.

- COLOUR ARGENTINA SO IT STANDS OUT
- MARK IN BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA'S CAPITAL CITY.
- MARK IN THESE COUNTRIES: COLOMBIA, PERU, BRAZIL + CHILE.
- FIND + MARK IN THE ARGENTINIAN TOWN OF TRELEW, WHERE OUR BUDDY SCHOOL IS.

