

## Global Footprint Answer Key

Answers will vary. A strong response should include:

- A clear thesis that focuses on global influence or environmental significance.
- Examples such as the Amazon Rainforest regulating climate, South America supplying resources like coffee, copper, and oil, or cultural influence through music, food, and festivals.
- Explanations linking each example to global impact.
- A conclusion that reinforces the importance of South America to the world.

### Teacher's Guide

- Ideal for grades 9 to 12 to build formal writing skills in geography.
- Encourage students to brainstorm examples before drafting.
- Remind students to connect each idea back to the global community or environmental importance.

### Differentiation Tips

- Offer writing frames for students who need structure.
- Provide a list of sample topics such as biodiversity, exports, climate regulation, and cultural influence.
- Challenge advanced learners to incorporate counterarguments or broader global comparisons.

### Engagement Ideas

- Begin with a short class discussion on global connections to spark ideas.
- Show images or short clips of South American regions to build background knowledge.
- Have students share one example they plan to use before writing the full essay.