

Lesson 2: In the Mouth of the Amazon			
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Learning Objective	Discussion Prompts	Lesson Activities	Vocabulary
Students will learn about life in the Brazilian city of Belem on the Amazon River.	<p>What is the role of water in Belem? How does it affect the daily lives of the people who live there?</p> <p>Compare your life to that of the people in Belem, keeping in mind the weather, geography, transportation and daily life of your home with that of Belem.</p>	<p>Create an informational chart describing the economy and industry of Belem focusing on açai and cacao.</p> <p>Write a personal narrative describing what your life would be like if you were a ribeirinhos, or river person, living in Belem.</p>	<p>açai</p> <p>cacao</p> <p>commerce</p> <p>enterprise</p> <p>entrepreneur</p> <p>industry</p>
Social Studies Standards	<p>What are the pros and cons of being a ribeirinhos in Belem? Justify your reasoning.</p>	<p>Create a brochure or infographic that lists at least ten facts from the video.</p>	<p>labyrinth</p> <p>merchant</p>
<p>People, Places & Environments</p> <p>F, G, H, J</p>	<p>If you lived on the Amazon River, what would you enjoy most about your daily life?</p>	<p>Research the Amazon River including the animals, vegetables and fruits mentioned in the video.</p> <p>Create a mind map or poster that includes visuals and words.</p>	<p>reclusive</p> <p>tranquil</p>

The Brazilian city of Belem at the mouth of the Amazon is a showcase of products from the great river basin. Now the famed açai berry is expanding Belem's reputation. Reclusive river people, called ribeirinhos, harvest the berries by climbing the tall palms where they grow and rush the produce by boat to the port. There they trade for other goods, and quickly escape the city to return to their tranquil, timeless lives at the edge of the world's greatest river. Host David Yetman takes us through Belem and visits the homes of the river people.