Read Around the World Unit 1: Brazil

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This unit will focus on books about Brazil. Find a few of these books online or at your library They are all like below to Amazon for your convenience. Along with the books are recipes, craft ideas, video links about Brazilian culture, questions about Brazil to answer, a Brazil flag to color and a Christ the Redeemer statue coloring page. These units are meant to be done once each week in a home or school setting for elementary level kids.

Picture Books About Brazil:

The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry
The Rainforest Grew All Around by Susan Mitchell
How Night Came from the Sea by Mary-Joan Gerson
The Dancing Turtle by Pleasant DeSpain
Living in Brazil by Chloe Perkins
Hello, Brazil by Jason Louis
Let's Visit Rio de Janeiro!: Adventures of Bella & Harry by Lisa Manzione
1,2,3 Suddenly in Brazil by Cristina Falcon Maldonado
Mr. Elephant's Rio Tour by Jane Dullard
Brazil for Kids by Baby Professor
The Sock Thief by Ana Crespo
Magic School Bus: In the Rainforest by Eva Moore

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Chapter Books About Brazil:

Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson
Afternoon on the Amazon by Mary Pope Osborne
Rio de Janeiro- Recipe for Adventure by Giada De Laurentiis
Brazilian Folktales by Livia de Almeida

Brazilian Culture

Brazil is best known for the Carnival celebration, soccer, Capoeira, the Samba dance, the Christ the Redeemer statue, and the Amazon Rainforest. Learn about some of these things with the linked Youtube videos below.

- Watch this counting to 10 in Portuguese video
- This video has 10 Famous Brazilian Soccer Goals from history.
- <u>Carnival Parade</u> (This was one of the "cleanest" Carnival videos I could find. Watch for a small risqué dancing part at 2:20 mark)
- Learn some basic Samba Dancing.
- Go on a virtual field trip to the Amazon Rainforest!
- Learn about Capoeira with <u>this amazing video</u>. Capoeira is a Brazilian martial art that combines dancing and fighting.

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Brazilian Recipes

Brazilian Beans and Rice Recipe

2 cans black or pinto beans (or 2 c. dried beans, soaked & cooked)

1 diced onion

1 piece of bacon

2 bay leaves

2 cloves minced garlic

1 chopped kielbasa sausage

In a large pot, sauté onions, sausage, & garlic together in a little oil. Add 2 cans of beans (undrained), bacon, & bay leaves. Simmer together for at least 30 minutes. Serve over cooked rice. Remove bay leaves & bacon before serving.

Brazilian Limeade

2-4 limes

1/2 c. sugar

2-3 Tbsp sweetened, condensed milk

3 c. water

Clean the limes and zest them. Cut into slices and juice. In a blender, add sugar, milk, & water lime juice and zest. Blend. Can sweeten more to taste. Chill. Serve with ice.

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Brazilian Craft Projects:

Make a Carnival Mask

Supplies needed
Black craft masks (or cut a mask from a paper plate)
Feathers
Glue
Sequins

Decorate the mask with feathers and sequins to look like a fancy Carnival mask! <u>See our example on the blog.</u>

Rainforest Terrarium in a Bottle

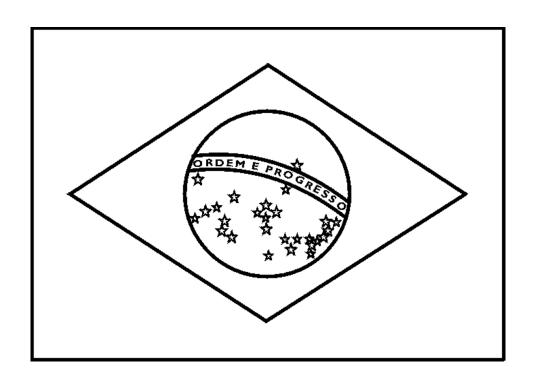
Using a large bottle or jar, layer it with gravel and soil. Fill it with small tropical plants. Buy some small rainforest animal toys and allow kids to play in it. They can also help care for the plants.

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All About Brazil!

The Book(s) I chose to read:	
What interesting things did I learn about Brazil?	
What is a famous landmark in Brazil?	
What language do they speak in Brazil?	

Color the Brazilian Flag and put your stamp into your reading passport. (Passport included in the full 8-country unit.)



Famous Brazil Landmark: Christ the Redeemer Statue in Mount Corcovada, Brazil



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