The Amazon River is located in South America. It is the second longest river in the world. The Nile River is the longest. The Amazon River is 3,980 miles long. Its basin covers more than half of South America. In 1541 Spanish explorer Francisco de Orellana gave the river its name and was the first European to travel the entire length.

Answer each question with a complete sentence.

1. Where is the Amazon River located?
   _______________________________________________________________________

2. What is the name of the longest river in the world?
   _______________________________________________________________________

3. How long is the Amazon River?
   _______________________________________________________________________

4. Who traveled the entire length of the river in 1541?
   _______________________________________________________________________

5. How much of South America does the Amazon River basin cover?
   _______________________________________________________________________

Super Teacher Worksheets - www.superteacherworksheets.com
Amazon River

The Amazon River is located in South America. It is the second longest river in the world. The Nile River is the longest. The Amazon River is 3,980 miles long. Its basin covers more than half of South America. In 1541 Spanish explorer Francisco de Orellana gave the river its name and was the first European to travel the entire length.

Answer each question with a complete sentence.

1. Where is the Amazon River located?
   The Amazon River is located in South America.

2. What is the name of the longest river in the world?
   The Nile River.

3. How long is the Amazon River?
   The Amazon River is 3,980 miles long.

4. Who traveled the entire length of the river in 1541?
   Francisco de Orellana traveled the entire length of the river in 1541.

5. How much of South America does the Amazon River basin cover?
   The Amazon River basin covers half of South America.