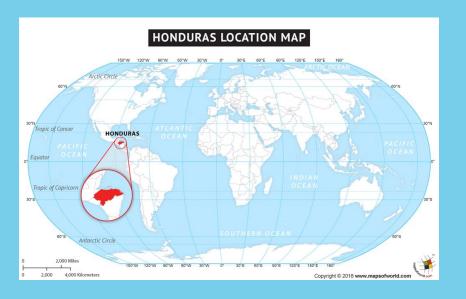
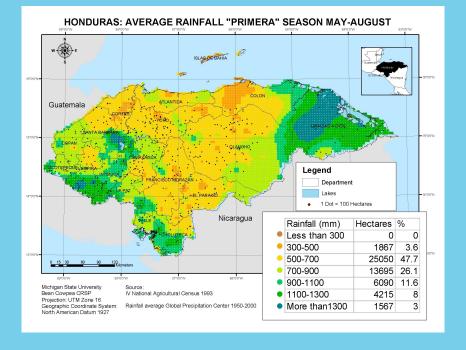


# **HONDURAS**

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# Honduras is North of the equator.



# The climate in Honduras is tropical and rainy.



Honduras is on the Caribbean Sea on the north coast and the Pacific Ocean on the south coast.

## Cities and things to do in Honduras





- ★ The capital of Honduras is Tegucigalpa.
- ★ There are beaches there.
- ★ There are many famous and national parks in Honduras





<--This is a Roatán beach

Roatán is a Caribbean island off the coast of Honduras and is the largest one of the Bay Islands in Honduras. It lays on a coral reef that's been around a while that is the largest in the Caribbean Sea, and offers opportunities for visitors to go diving and explore. Divers can see coral, shipwrecks, and sea life like sharks and maybe even dolphins, while diving there.

#### List of several of the larger cities in Honduras (largest population to smallest):

- → Tegucigalpa
- → San Pedro Sula
- → Choloma
- → La Ceiba
- → El Progreso
- → Ciudad Choluteca
- → Comayagua
- → Puerto Cortez
- → La Lima









#### <u>Culture</u>

- Most of the people there live in the highlands and are actually Roman Catholic.
- Unfortunately, many people there are poor and never learn to read or write.
  - Boys there usually play soccer and girls play basketball, volleyball and dance.
    - The Honduran currency is called Lempira.





### **Foods**



Some popular foods eaten there are cassava (which is also known as tapioca), seafood, and chili peppers. Poor people usually live on corn, beans and rice, but eat very little meat.







#### Below is an image of a Honduran breakfast



#### **What Honduras is Like**



#### Here is a <u>direct</u> reading about Honduras' history from National Geographic:



Christopher Columbus discovered Honduras in the 16th century, then home to the Maya and other indigenous people, and his discovery was soon followed by a Spanish conquest of the country.

In the early 19th century, Honduras gained independence from Spain and briefly became part of Mexico before joining the newly-formed United Provinces of Central America.

#### **Direct** reading about Honduras' history from National Geographic:(continued)



Following some political instability in the early 20th century, the United States took action to protect its investment of banana crops in the country.

In 1969, while Honduras was under military rule, a brief but serious war broke out with El Salvador as a result of a dispute over immigration and the lack of a clearly defined border between the two countries. Two decades later, Honduras returned to civilian rule and an agreement was reached with El Salvador.

In 1998, Hurricane Mitch took the lives of more than 5,000 people in Honduras and caused billions of dollars in damage. Political instability continues to trouble the country, with another military coup taking place as recently as 2009.

#### Here are some Honduran kids.



#### **Honduras Interview**

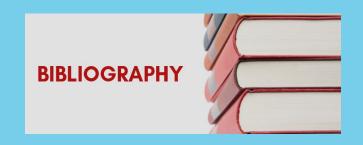


Comayagua

I interviewed my father, Bill Moran, who was stationed in Honduras for six months.

- 1. What is the thing you remember most about Honduras? "People were very friendly"
- 2. Where in Honduras did you live? "On an Army base outside of Comayagua (an hour and a half from Tegucigalpa)"
- 3. What was the best food you ate there? "There were lots of delicious foods but my favorites were bananas because we picked them from our banana tree outside our room.
- 4. How was the weather? "When we got there in December it was actually hot and dry where we were."
- 5. Would you go back there if you could? "Yes, especially to Roatan, it was like a resort there, it is the second best snorkeling and diving place in the world. It was gorgeous there."
- 6. What was one thing you found interesting about the culture? "The people there are very religious (Catholic)"
- 7. Do you have anything else to say about Honduras? "The people are very poor but they'll give you anything they have, they are very generous with what they have."

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