Peru

Continent: **South America**

Capital: **Lima**

Population: 29,515,210

Government: The republic is divided into 25 regions and the president holds executive power and serves a 5 year term. Under the constitution, presidents may not serve 2 terms consecutively. The president has 2 vice president.

Religion: 81% Roman Catholic, 19% other religions besides Roman Catholic.

Life Expectancy: Male 71 Female 76

Education: Public education is free and requires children between ages 7-16. Families with any means send their kids to private schools, which are generally Catholic. In private schools, they provide education in English, Italian, German, Chinese, and French.

Transportation: Buses are the most popular form of transportation. Many middle- and upper-class families own a car but regularly use public transportation because gasoline is expensive.

Interesting Fact:
1.Peru is the 3rd largest country in South America

2.Spanish,Quechua and Aymara are officially recognized.

3.Urban Peruvian families have, on average, three children, while four or five is common among rural ones.

Peru's internal conflict

Imagine you're in Peru and suddenly this war comes down where you have to choose between being in the governments' side or the terrorists side, what would you do? That is what most people in Peru had to choose from.

I know that I could not choose from any of the two because they both were wrong in the end. They both murdered people and abused people. Now I bet you might think how this came to be, how they both ended up being wrong. Well it's quite a long story but I'll sum it up for you.

It starts like this, this group of citizens, who went by the name of Shining Path, were against the government and decided to kill people to get their attention. They thought the government was to blame for all the poor people, the decrease in jobs and security so they became terrorists. They killed, tortured, stole from, and abused many many people.

Then, the government decided to stop it and fight the terrorists. In doing so they killed innocent people as well. They also abused people, captured them and treated them as terrorists. So which side would you have picked?

In the end the government won because the terrorists backed out when they saw their numbers decreasing and even though there is still terrorism going on in Peru their group has shrunken down and is not of much importance anymore.

People may say that the government was right for trying to stop the terrorists but if they also killed and abused people then they really weren't.

In conclusion there was no right side but there were two wrong sides. This war caused Peru a great depression through 1980 and 2000.

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We are terrorists

We are the government

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This is our way to be noticed

Not the right way to go

Safety

We're just trying to speak out

You're threatening peoples safety

You won't notice us any other way

You're only thinking about yourselves

Violence

We're doing it for a good cause

It's the only way to fight back

We both were only trying to help.

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Cause and Effect

Peru was in terror from 1980 to 2000. Terrorists were bombing houses and killing people only to get the government's attention, because the terrorists thought that the government was to blame for all the poor people. It was true that the government did get rich and didn't provide for the poor properly, so the terrorists wanted to speak up for themselves, but they did it in a wrong way. By killing people on purpose, spreading terror, and destroying the country, no way! The government also killed innocent people, but not on purpose like the terrorists did. Many people still think that the government were like the "bad guys" because they were killing people too, not just the terrorists.

Because of this, there is a divided opinion against terrorists or government sides because they both killed innocent people, both abused them, and treated them wrongly. Therefore, some people think that the government is responsible for all of the dead innocent people instead of the terrorists. One fact is that the government was fighting back to the terrorists attacks, and since the terrorists were hiding among the innocent, the government didn't know who was who, and they ended up killing the innocent as well.