



Culture Corner KEY : The Amazon Indians

B For the classroom: Debate

▶ **Divide the class into three groups:**

1. Team A - 2 - 4 Ss

Point of view: Living in a world of technology with computers, cell phones, cars and other modern machines which make life easy.

2. Team B - 2 - 4 Ss

Point of view: Living in a rainforest or other natural place away from the modern world where technology does not exist and where you must rely on nature for everything.

3. Audience - Remainder of Ss

▶ **The two teams will debate which life style is better.**

For example:

Team A, Student 1 : I like the modern world. I need my computer to do my homework and I need my cell phone to talk to my friends.

Team B, Student 1: Yes, but think how nice it would be to live in a place where it's peaceful and calm. We don't have air pollution in the rainforest and the only noise is from the animals!

Team A, Student 2: But what would we eat? You can't get burgers in the rainforest!

▶ **Both teams must back up their opinions with facts.**

▶ **When all members of the teams have spoken, the audience will vote on which team they agree with most.**

▶ **Ask Ss to volunteer for one of the points of view or assign Ss to the teams at random.**

▶ **Ss may take turns participating on Team and Team B or as the audience until all Ss have had the opportunity to debate both sides.**