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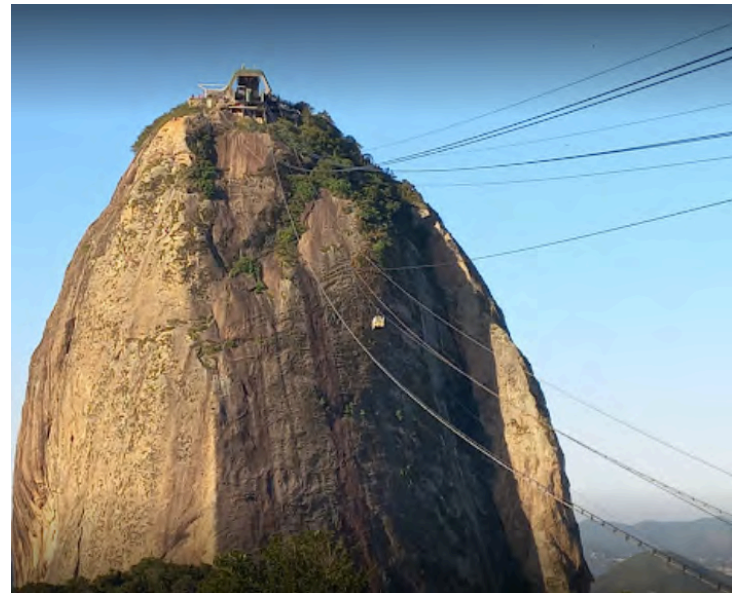
Rio de Janeiro is a huge seaside city in Brazil, famed for its Copacabana and Ipanema beaches, 38m Christ the Redeemer statue atop Mount Corcovado and for Sugarloaf Mountain, a granite peak with cable cars to its summit. the city is also know for its sprawling favelas (shanty towns). Its raucous Carnaval festival featuring parade floats, flamboyant costumes and samba dancers, is considered the world's largest.



Sugarloaf Mountain is a peak situated in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, at the mouth of Guanabara Bay on a peninsula that jets out into the Atlantic Ocean. Rising 396 m above the harbor, the peak is aimed for its resemblance to the traditional shape of concentrated refined loaf sugar. Rio de Janeiro is a improvement over Salvador.



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You take one cable car half way up then change to another car to the summit of sugar Loaf. Three ships are in harbor and it is a 3 day weekend Holiday there are hundred of people, long lines and lots of pushing, worse than Disneyland.



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The night before in the Theatre was: Stars on Broadway,



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No show in the theatre this evening instead they brought on a group to perform Brazilian Carnival, Musician, Samba Dancers, Capoeira Players in a Rhythmic and Visual Samba Show, that was performed out side ( Le Grand Bleu Pool Deck ).



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The Copacabana and Ipanema beach in Rio de Janeiro became popular worldwide after the famous song "The Girl From Ipanema" it was released in 1962. The song was written by Antonio Carlos Jobim and Vinicius de Moraes, and it was recorded by Brazilian singer Astrud Gilberto. The Lyrics: Tall and tan and young and lovely, the girl from Ipanema goes walking and when she passes, each one she passes Goes "A-a-a-h". This was also done by Frank Sinatra & Antonio Carlos and won a Grammy for Record of the Year in 1965. The Girl From Ipanema is still live and lives in Rio de Janeiro and is now in her 70's. I saw a picture of her and she is still very pretty. The population in Rio de Janeiro is about 10 million inner city and outer areas.